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LLOYDS CONFOUND RUMOURS

DISQUIETING BELIEFS ON THE BOURSE

BRITISH STABILISATION FUND REPORTED INACTIVE

CURRENCY WAR SEEN

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
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NEW YORK, TO-DAY.

WILD CURRENCY RUMOURS CIRCULATING THROUGHOUT THE WORLD INCLUDE ONE THAT ENGLAND IS TO WITHDRAW HER SUPPORT OF THE POUND PREPARATORY TO A RETURN TO THE GOLD BULLION BASIS. LLOYDS, HOWEVER, ARE INSURING AGAINST THE CONFISCATION OF GOLD OR A RETURN TO THE GOLD STANDARD WITH A DEVALUED POUND.

The insurance rate is one-tenth of one per cent., therefore, Lloyds are betting at 1,000 to 1 against this happening.

It is authoritatively learned that a reduction in the dollar's gold content is not unconsidered. It is believed that America's monetary policy will not be changed prior to the end of the year. Economists declare that huge quantities of gold could be exported for defending the dollar without influencing domestic conditions.

PARIS HAS REPORTED THAT THE BRITISH STABILISATION FUND IS INACTIVE. THE POUND YESTERDAY CLOSED AT A NEW LOW MARK OF 76.03 FRANCES.

THE DOLLAR OPENED AT 14.93 AND CLOSED AT 14.93 1/2.

French economists believe that London is preparing for a new devaluation of the pound following the devaluation of the dollar and precipitating a money war. The French firm of bullion brokers in New York, Messrs. Lazard Freres, has announced that it is shipping U.S.\$2,500,000 worth of gold to Paris aboard the s.s. Lafayette. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Co.

NEW RECORD SHIPMENT OF SILVER BARS

President Harding Load At Southampton.

\$1,125,000 IN GOLD FROM AUSTRALIA

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
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Southampton, To-day.

The American liner, President Harding, last night loaded a record shipment of 12,134 bars of silver, weighing 400 tons and valued at \$1,500,000.

This beats the record consignment on the s.s. Washington, last week, by nine bars, and brings the total silver exports from Southampton in the past fortnight, to 1,000 tons. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Co.

AUSTRALIA GOLD ARRIVES

Plymouth, To-day.
Gold valued at \$1,125,000 sterling arrived here last night on the s.s. India, from Australia. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

Dollar Covering Move Commenced.

SEQUEL TO ANNOUNCED GOLD SHIPMENT TO PARIS

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
New York, To-day.

The Bank of Manhattan has announced that it is shipping 1,000,000 ounces of gold to Paris tomorrow.

The Bank announcement is supported by the Treasury's recent statement that it was ready to sell gold at U.S.\$35 an ounce whenever the dollar sank to a point making profitable the export of gold.

The announcement of the shipping started a dollar covering movement abroad. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Co.

Rumours Ridiculed By Foreign Bankers.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
London, Earlier.

It is reliably learned that banking circles and foreign holders of gold have commenced taking out insurance policies with Lloyds against impounding by the Government.

It is also learned that a number of owners of gold in the United States have deposited their gold in London and have taken out insurance here at the rate of one-half of one per cent. per annum for two-year policies, firstly, against seizure by the British Government and, secondly, guaranteeing reimbursement in foreign currency in case of the gold being impounded by the British Government. (Continued on Page 9)

N.R.A. RUPTURE

Johnson And Richberg Disagree.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
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Washington, To-day.

The National Recovery Administration, General Hugh Johnson, and the General Counsel of the N.R.A., Mr. Donald R. Richberg, have disagreed over the fundamentals of the reorganization of the N.R.A. Mr. Richberg favouring competitive economy, while General Johnson is espousing controlled economy under which business would govern itself with the Government advising. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

U.S. RELIEF FOR DROUGHT SITUATION

SUPPORTING KWANGTUNG INDUSTRIES

"BUY NATIVE GOODS" CAMPAIGN.

GOVERNMENT TO LEAD

(From Our Own Correspondent) Canton, To-day.

In accordance with instructions from the Executive Yuan of the National Government, the Kwangtung Provincial Government has notified the different government offices here that native goods must be used in those departments.

This order is to promote home-made goods. Whenever native goods are procurable, they must be used in preference to imported commodities, the order states, but a special exemption is made in the case of lead pencils which are not manufactured anywhere in China. (Continued on Page 9)

AMBASSADOR AT WARSAW.

Sir Howard Kennard's Appointment.

London, To-day.
His Majesty the King has approved the appointment of Sir Howard William Kennard, His Majesty's Minister at Bern, to be His Majesty's Ambassador at Warsaw in succession to the Rt. Hon. Sir William Erskine who is retiring at the end of this year. — British Wireless Service.

STRIKE IN U.S. INEVITABLE AT MOMENT

SERVICES OFFERED BY N.R.A.

Washington, To-day.

It is stated that unless the Government acts, or the industry meets the demands of the workers, a cotton and textile strike in the United States is inevitable.

The National Recovery Administration has offered its services in an effort to avert the textile strike. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

"STRIKE UNJUSTIFIED".
The President of the Cotton and Textile Institute, Mr. Sloan, states that a strike is unjustified in view of the 70 per cent. hourly wage increase in the past year, accompanied by increased costs. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company. (Continued on Page 9)

WEATHER FORECAST

Cloudy and showery, with moderate east winds, was the weather forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

The 17th annual meeting of the Société d'Agriculture de la Chine Nouvelle will be held tomorrow in Nanking for three days.

RAILWAY RATES ON CATTLE TO BE HALVED

LIVESTOCK FEED CARRIAGE CUT.

CANADA AND AMERICA FORCED TO PRESERVE CATTLE FEED

Ottawa, To-day.

In order to relieve the drought situation in which it is estimated that 200,000 cattle need feed, the railway rates on cattle moved from the drought areas are to be reduced by half and the rates for the transport of livestock feed into the drought area by one-third.

An Order-in-Council provides that licences must be obtained for all export shipments of hay and straw.

10 PER CENT. CURTAILMENT.

The Farm Administration is to announce to-day a 10 per cent. curtailment of the basic wheat acreage for 1935 for farmers co-operating with the productive control plans, as compared with a reduction of 15 per cent. required for 1934. — Reuter. (Continued on Page 9)

BOWLS INTERPORTER ILL

Mr. H. Beer, one of the Colony's six selected interport lawn bowlers who leave for Shanghai next Wednesday, is suffering from a slight attack of fever.

CURT REPLY BY SOVIET

FABRICATIONS FOR JUSTIFYING C.E.R. ARRESTS

"CAUSELESS AND LAWLESS."

JAPANESE WAR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE CITED

Moscow, To-day.

The text has been officially published of a strongly worded Soviet note of protest sent to Tokyo.

The note, referring to the arrest of the 19 Soviet employees of the Chinese Eastern Railway states: "In order to justify these lawless and causeless arrests of Soviet employees, nonsensical allegations are being fabricated that the men organised attacks on Japanese military missions and bandit attacks on trains."

The note also refers to the "unprecedented statement" contained in an official communiqué of the Japanese Ministry of War, that orders regarding the organisation of train wrecks were issued by the special Far Eastern Army which is charged by Japan with leading bandit detachments on the C.E.R. through a non-existent organisation of the Soviet employees of the C.E.R. — Reuter.

SOUTH-WEST COUNCIL MAY BE ABOLISHED

APPREHENSION FELT IN CANTON.

FATEFUL FIFTH CONGRESS

(From Our Own Correspondent) Canton, To-day.

Notwithstanding the opposition from the Canton leaders and particularly from Mr. Hu Han-min, former President of the Legislative Yuan, the Central Authorities will convene the Kuomintang Fifth National Congress at Nanking on November 12, according to a press dispatch from Shanghai, received last night.

The Kuomintang Fifth Congress was scheduled for last November, but following the vigorous opposition from the high officials of Kwangtung and Kwangsi, Nanking decided to postpone the Congress for one year. The central authorities will not agree to further postponement. (Continued on Page 12)

AMERICA'S CUP TRIALS

Yankee Beats Rainbow By A Mile.

Newport, Rhode Is., To-day.
The Yankee, with Mr. Charles Francis Adams at the wheel, dealt Mr. Vanderbilt's Rainbow one of the most crushing defeats ever given to an American contender yesterday, in the final series of the America's Cup trials.

The Yankee, crossing the line first, quickly secured a two lengths' lead which she maintained to the turn. Manoeuvring cleverly, the Yankee gained the commanding weather berth on the homeward journey, finishing a mile ahead of the Rainbow over a 30-mile course. — Reuter.

Yesterday Rainbow beat Westmore by 2 mins. 34 secs. over the same course.



Mt. Everest, world's tallest mountain, defeated another attempt to surmount its obstacles when Capt. Maurice Wilson, British adventurer, perished, during a lone attempt to reach its peak. He reached 23,000 of the 29,000 feet.

"HAI HENG" LAUNCHED

BIG CHINESE CEREMONIAL AT GLASGOW

"RESURRECTION OF SHIPPING."

MR. QUO TAI-CHI ATTENDS SHIP CHRISTENING

London, To-day.

Chinese ceremonial was observed at the launching of the cargo and passenger steamer, Hai Heng, at Glasgow, yesterday, for the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company. The assembly bowed thrice as the Chinese national flag was unfurled by the Chinese Minister to London, Mr. Quo Tai-chi. Madam Quo Tai-chi christened the vessel which glided down to the sea amid the explosion of crackers to ward off evil spirits.

The vessel is specially protected against pirate attacks, with steel grills isolating the vulnerable control points while the various classes of passengers are segregated and steam connections with hoses arranged in a number of key positions. (Continued on Page 12)

COUNTY CRICKET SENSATIONS

Northants Rout Hants By Innings.

LEICESTER BEAT NOTTS

London, To-day.

Northants, who were without the services of Clark, their fast left-hander, caused a sensation when they beat Hampshire by an innings and 98 runs, after only two days' play to secure their second victory of the season in County Cricket Championship.

(Continued on Page 9)

Results, as cabled by Reuter, were:

At Bournemouth, Northants beat Hampshire by an innings and 98 runs.

Northants: 369.
Hants: 107 (Partridge 6 for 28).
164 (Cox 5 for 72).
At Nottingham, Leicester defeated Notts by an innings and 106 runs.

Leicester: 369 (Armstrong 117).
Notts: 158 (Marlow 6 for 66) and 135.

MAIL SCHEDULES

INWARD-MAILS:
FROM EUROPE

Ranpura (via Siberia)	Aug. 24
Hellikon (Air Mail ex Marseilles)	24
Salgon (Service)	26
Anshun (Air Mail ex Imperial Airways Service)	28

FROM JAPAN

Asama Maru	Aug. 24
Kitano Maru	24
Pres. Jefferson	24
Ranpura	24
Gema Maru	27
Tokuwa Maru	27
Emp. of Russia	29
Tandu	29
Taima	29
Pres. Coolidge	30
Pres. Adams	31

FROM AMERICA & CANADA

Pres. Jefferson	Aug. 24
Emp. of Russia	29
Pres. Coolidge	30
Pres. Adams	31

FROM MANILA

Pres. Taft	Aug. 27
Nankin	Sept. 1

FROM SHANGHAI

Asama Maru	Aug. 24
Pres. Jefferson	24
Ranpura	24
Suiyang	26
Antenor	28
Athos II	28
Menor	29
Emp. of Russia	29
Mirzapore	30
Pres. Coolidge	30
Pres. Adams	31
Sawa Maru	31

FROM STRAITS

Lycan	Aug. 23
Terukuni Maru	28
Tango Maru	29
Hosang	30
Menestheus	31

FROM INDIA

Hosang	Aug. 30
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FROM AUSTRALIA

Nankin	Sept. 1
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OUTWARD-MAILS:
FOR EUROPE

Emp. of Canada (via Siberia)	Aug. 24
Ranpura (via Marseilles)	25
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10.30 a.m.	
Athos II (Marseilles Air Mail Service)	Aug. 28
Closes: Reg. 10 a.m. Ord. 10.30 a.m.	
Pres. Taft (via Siberia)	28
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.	
Antenor (via Marseilles)	Aug. 29

FOR JAPAN

Empress of Canada	Aug. 24
Aramis	24
Pres. Taft	28

FOR MANILA

Kitano Maru	Aug. 25
Pres. Jefferson	25
Empress of Russia	30
Pres. Coolidge	30
Pres. Adams	31
Tandu	Sept. 1

FOR AMERICA AND CANADA

Empress of Canada	Aug. 24
Pres. Taft	28

FOR SHANGHAI

Empress of Canada	Aug. 24
Aramis	24
Pres. Taft	28

FOR STRAITS & INDIA

Ranpura	Aug. 25
Athos II	28
Antenor	29
Sawa Maru	Sept. 1

FOR AUSTRALIA

Kitano Maru	Aug. 25
Tandu	Sept. 1

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The Woman's Page

A CHECK TAFFETA GOWN

Latest Idea From Paris For Cocktail Hour.

WORN WITH WIDE BLACK HAT

Paris. The word "check" has figured larger in the news for the past several months than probably any other single representative of the modern dictionary. It has now become firmly established in fashion news.

Listen to this: "Besides those dresses intended for very formal parties, an ensemble, 'Chatman,' soon will be seen on the Countess Elie de Ganay, who appreciates both its practical and elegant note. It is a black and white check taffeta gown with a cape. There is a gold thread underlining the check. It is short-sleeved and the skirt widens from the knees to the floor, or rather to the ankle, since this is a more graceful line for semi-formal occasions.

Worn with a black, wide-brimmed hat, it will be the sort of thing one sees in the best sections at Auteuil as well as at the cocktail hour or an informal dinner party. Incidentally, transformed into a 'cortège' dress, it has been selected for a great wedding in the north of France."

FROM HEAD TO FOOT

Amazing Variety In Hats

London. Hat shapes are amazingly varied in Paris and London this season. Although flat Breton sailors, worn straight on the head, and coiled and curled shapes promise to be the rage later in the summer, designers are releasing charming small chapeaux for present wear. A Jean Patou model shows an interesting combination of fabrics. The crown is of black felt, and the cute little brim and bow of stiffened white linen. Patou's new colour, deep sapphire blue, is used for a hat in which strands of ormandie and Angora wool are woven together to form the soft crown and part of the brim. The rest is made up of crisp white pique.

New stocking notions on view at include the new "short" hose, a fashionable Bond-street shop which stop short below the knee, and are fitted with a novel garter band which requires only a deft twist in order to make the garment "stay put" indefinitely. These stockings are designed to be worn with the new evening gowns of satin or lame, which fit like a glove right down to the knees, and tend to show an ugly bulge if any type of support is used.

The latest "stream-lined" hose are shaded to give a slimming effect to the angles. That portion which comes at the back of the leg is shaded dark, with the fronts in a paler tone. All the caramel shades are amongst the smartest new stocking colours.



Simply but elegantly made, this youthful dance frock is sure to attract attention wherever seen. It is of white crepe with cape and belt of the same material. Large crystal buttons hold the chie cape. Ann Dvorak, lovely screen star, wears it with becoming grace.

SPORTS FROCK FOR SPECTATORS.

Fitted Jackets Smartest

Spectator sports frock—what does it mean? A dress hat is cool, since grandstands and golf links are sunny; a dress that has a sports air, but is a shadmore formal than an athlete's outfit. Here is the design that answers these requirements.

One more thing is necessary in a spectator-sports dress—it must be easily tubbed. Pique, silk, or cottons is recommended for this design, which looks right, wears and launders well, and is cool.

The smartest suits are made with fitted jackets and are of knee or of seven-eighths length.

Hollywood Stars On Parade

Joan Crawford Costume Causes Sensation

OTHER LOVELY EVENING GOWNS

At a recent benefit dance Joan Crawford caused nothing less than a sensation with her costume. Russian in effect, it consisted of a long sleeved, high-necked coat of gold sequins and a long black velvet skirt. A dramatic effect that the lovely Joan wears so well.

Claudette Colbert's gown for the evening was of dark red satin, cut to the waist in back and flowing into a long train.

Mrs. Gary Cooper (Sandra Shaw), appeared in amber tulle, subtly cut in ruffles and flounces. She was both distinguished and chic.

Ann Harding's frock for the occasion was of black velvet trimmed in white ermine, while Ida Lupino

reversed this colour scheme with white velvet, accented with black. Sylvia Sydney wore her favourite colour, sea-foam green, shot with silver threads. Her dress was simply made and had a train, as did most of the gowns at this particular party.

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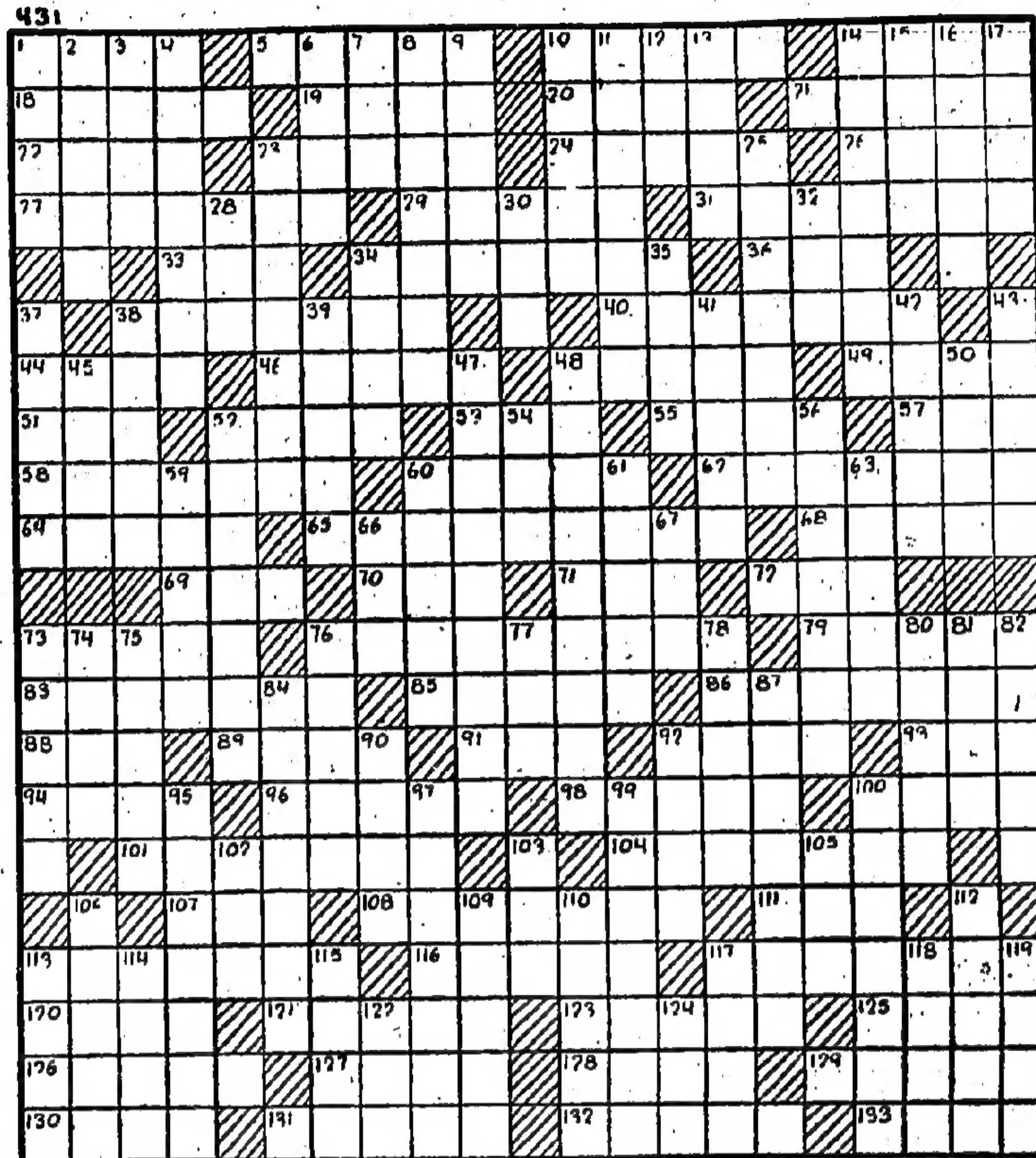
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EAU-DE-COLOGNE,
ROSE, JASMINE.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLED

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



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|--|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|---|
| 1—Break short | 52—Long in use | 98—A part of a whole | 1—Strike with open hand | 41—Rougher | 87—To name |
| 5—Twists out of shape | 53—Before | 99—Large in bulk | 2—Called | 42—Wise men | 90—A fermented alcoholic liquor |
| 10—To place at proper intervals | 55—Prepare for publication | 100—Stem of certain aquatic plants | 3—In hei | 43—Canvas lodges | 92—A magnifying or diminishing glass |
| 14—Pieces with a horn | 57—A machine for cleaning cotton | 101—More sugary | 4—Hangings | 45—A plant yielding a medicinal gum | 93—To suffer from the heat |
| 18—A name tag | 58—Needlest | 104—Allured | 5—On before | 47—To describe | 94—A crack |
| 19—Greater | 60—Slides | 107—Always | 6—Among | 48—Going | 95—Fine ravelings |
| 20—Relate | 62—A fundamental principle | 108—Frequent place (pl.) | 7—A straight slender stick | 50—Fine ravelings | 97—A crack |
| 21—Entwined into a fabric | 64—An underground drain | 111—Summit | 8—On before | 52—Act of reading collectively | 98—Withdraw |
| 22—So be it | 65—Calculator | 113—More diminutive | 9—A closed car | 54—Margin | 102—An elongated fish |
| 23—Waited for | 68—Is sup | 116—Visible floating moisture | 10—Cover scattering | 56—A raised bank | 103—Jump |
| 24—Put again in an earthen vessel | 69—Central body of the solar system | 120—A suggestion | 11—Noblemen, collectively | 58—A place again | 105—Cry of a dove |
| 25—To sell | 70—Femle domestic fowl | 121—A finger | 12—Mountain pasture land | 60—Paces | 106—Express amusement |
| 27—Sold from door to door | 71—Uncooked | 122—A river embankment | 13—A lump of earth | 61—Sober | 108—Express amusement |
| 29—Frank | 72—To mistake | 125—Unde-ranged | 14—Rules | 62—Deserve | 109—Surfeited |
| 31—Protects | 73—Ponderous | 128—To change | 15—A baking chamber | 63—That girl | 110—Revolves |
| 33—Fruiting spike of a cereal | 76—Relaxing volumes | 129—Started | 16—Tears asunder | 64—Possess | 112—Pertaining to the rise and fall of waters |
| 34—Act of restoring again to freshness | 79—Ventilate | 130—An animal with antlers | 17—Terminates | 73—Pertaining to the rise and fall of waters | 113—A food |
| 36—And not | 83—Mint | 131—Allotted | 23—Scolds severely | 74—Angry | 114—A poker term |
| 38—Occupied | 85—Savory | 132—A raised platform | 25—Twining part of a plant | 75—Coins | 115—Abundant |
| 40—Well-cultivated tract | 88—Lair | 133—Deposit of fine earth from insects | 28—Jolter | 76—Abate | 116—A large floating mass of ice |
| 44—Rave | 89—Young sheep | | 30—A wooden pin | 77—To mimic | 117—Large floating mass of ice |
| 46—Drove up a tree | 91—The square root of 100 | | 32—Enemy | 78—Stare at with aversion | 118—The Wise Men of the Bible |
| 48—Hesitate | 92—Without company | | 34—Be full of fumes | 80—Governed | 119—A slight depression |
| 49—Act of transferring for money | 94—Insects | | 35—Crimpled | 81—One of the Great Lakes | 122—A narrow ship channel |
| | | | 37—Cuts close | 82—Acts upon | 124—By way of |
| | | | 38—Becomes permanent income | 84—Became smaller toward the end | |
| | | | 39—Have a harsh sound | | |

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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Saturday, 16th February
Monday, 18th February
Tuesday, 19th February
Wednesday, 20th February
Saturday, 23rd February

1ST EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 2nd March

2ND EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 23rd March

3RD EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 6th April

4TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 20th April

(Monday, 22nd April
(Easter Monday)

5TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 4th May

6TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 18th May

7TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 1st June

8TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 21st September

9TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Thursday, 10th October

(Double Tenth)

10TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 19th October

11TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 2nd November

12TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 16th November

13TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 30th November

14TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Saturday, 14th December

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Only one month after taking office as California's governor, Mr. Frank F. Merriam, right, had the biggest problem of any state executive in the country to deal with, that of restoring peace in strike-torn San Francisco. The extent of disorder there, resulting from the spread of walkouts in sympathy with the longshoremen, is shown in the pictures. State militia was called when the riots got beyond the control of the city police.

BRIDGE NOTES

Attack v. Defence by Ely Culbertson.

One of the most amazing, spectacular and, at the same time, accurate series of attacking and defending plays I have ever run across is in the hand below, which came to me recently from one of the leading Bridge players in Germany.

If Germans play Bridge with such accuracy and deep insight into the possibilities of the game, they certainly will prove dangerous opponents in any international competition.

Usually a hand is considered very fine when it contains one brilliant coup, whether made by the defending players or by the Declarer. When brilliant play, splendidly conceived to bring about the defeat of a contract, is met by an equally brilliant response, it is not strange that it is hard to find words to describe it.

The hand which presented all these interesting angles was:

North, Dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH:—

S—6

H—A Q 8 6 4

D—K 6

C—A K 6 4 3

WEST:—

S—8 7 8 2

H—10 9 3

D—3

C—10 9 8 7 2

SOUTH:—

S—A Q J 10 9 8

H—2

D—J 9 8 7 5

C—5

EAST:—

S—K 4

H—K J 7 5

D—A Q 10 4 2

C—Q J

The bidding:

North East South West

1 H 2 D 2 S Pass

3 C Pass 4 S Pass

Pass Pass

While there is an element of optimism in South's bidding, he does not expect to lose three tricks in diamonds in view of East's vulnerable Overcall of his partner's Opening bid. There is a chance that if the diamond losses can be held to two tricks, the contract can be made.

West's Opening lead was the diamond 8, upon which the six was played from Dummy.

East played the Queen, which held the trick, and returned the Ace. He could now see the possibility of defeating the contract if his partner could be induced to ruff the diamond, return low and force the singleton spade from the Dummy so that a finesse could not be taken through East's King.

He therefore led a small diamond, which South covered; and West, amazingly enough, understood his partner's message and ruffed with the deuce of spades.

The Declarer, at this point, studied long before playing from the Dummy. Eventually he decided that this play did not disclose a trump holding of the King-eight.

Seven or more in the East hand was designed to prevent a finesse through the singly guarded King in the East hand.

FIFTH NATIONAL CONGRESS

Official Notification Issued.

AGENDA OUTLINED

Nanking, Aug. 15.
An official notification was issued this morning by the Standing Committee of the Central Executive Committee, announcing the convening of the 5th National Congress of the Kuomintang Delegates in November this year. The notification was addressed to all the Party Organs throughout the country, inviting them to send delegates to attend the Congress and to participate in its deliberations.

The principal items on the agenda of the Congress, as listed in the notification, are:

1. The question of the summoning of the next People's Congress.
2. The question of revision of the regulations of the Party.
3. The question of promotion of Party affairs.
4. The question of determination and adoption of an administrative policy.—(Chekiat Agency).

"EVA" IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT.

Signals Twisted When Hit By Lorry.

"Eva", the Electro-matic Vehicle actuated traffic signal met with her first accident yesterday. According to reports, a motor lorry, heavily laden with bamboo poles, attempted to turn into Des Voeux Road from Pedder Street. In turning, several of the bamboo poles on the lorry struck the automation.

The signalling arm was twisted so violently that the lights, instead of facing the roadways, were turned until they faced the street corners, the red, green and amber lights being invisible to motorists owing to the shields.

For about half an hour, confusion reigned at the intersection, motorists appearing to be in a quandary.

P. W. D. workmen were quickly on the scene, however, and "Eva" was screwed back into her original position.

The incident occurred at the busy tiffin period.

South therefore refused to over-ruff and permitted West to hold the trick. At this point West returned the heart Ten and South went up with the Ace, led the six of spades, successfully finessed against the King, drew the adverse trumps, and fulfilled his contract. The reader will observe that East's plan was well conceived. Had the spade six in Dummy been used to over-ruff the deuce, East must then have obtained the lead on the second round of trumps, when he could have returned one more diamond, which West, with his four trumps, would have been able to ruff, thus defeating the contract.

It was a brilliant stratagem, but the one by which South dominated it was even more so.

NEW DELEGATION TO GERMANY.

Cotton Yarn Industry Debt Discussions.

London, To-day.
The Lancashire Delegation, which visited Germany a fortnight ago to discuss question of outstanding debts in the cotton yarn industry, will leave England again within the next few days to try to obtain a satisfactory arrangement for dealing with the debts. It was stated at Manchester yesterday that the visit is being made in response to requests from the German manufacturers and importers, and the Delegation will leave with the full approval of the Board of Trade—British Wireless Service.

WHEAT COMMITTEE MEET

London, to-day.—The Wheat Advisory Committee met in London yesterday and began a general consideration of the sub-committee's report.—British Wireless Service.

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23. True.

24. Savoy Scottish Medley. (Goodnight).

8.50-9 p.m.—Pianoforte Solos by Wilhelm Backhaus.

1. Moment Musical in F Minor (Schubert).

2. Impromptu in B Flat, Op. 142, No. 3. (Schubert).

9-9.45 p.m.—From the Studio.

A 21st Recital of Gramophone Records by Mr. C. B. E. Sargent.

9.45 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletin, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

9.50-10.15 p.m.—Konzert Fur 1 Klavier in D-Moll (Bach) played by Edwin Fischer (Pianoforte) and Orchestra.

1st Movement—Allegro.

2nd Movement—Adagio.

3rd Movement—Allegro.

(these Record kindly loaned by a listener).

10.15-10.30 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music.

"Die schone Galathea"—Overture (Suppe), Arthur Bodanzky von der Metropolitan Opera, New York mit grobem Symphonie-Orchester.

Apache Dance (Offenbach).

La Golondrina (The Swallow) (Seradell), Victor Salon Orchestra.

10.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletin, Rugby Mid-day Press News, further London Stock and Commodity Quotations, followed by New York Opening Quotations.

10.40 p.m.—Close Down.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wave length of 855 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

1-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.

1.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room, (by courtesy of the Management).

1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletin, Rugby Press News, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

DANCE MUSIC FROM THE STUDIO.

Mr. C. B. E. Sargent To-night

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme

7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock & Commodity Quotations.

7.08-7.30 p.m.—Light Opera.

Vocal Gems—The Yeomen of the Guard (Gilbert and Sullivan), Columbia Light Opera Company.

Selection—The Mikado (Sullivan), The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

Vocal Gems—H.M.S. Pinafore (Gilbert and Sullivan), Columbia Light Opera Company.

7.30-8 p.m.—Variety.

Piano Solos—Medley of Marches, Rale da Costa.

Song—Sans Toi—Tango Chante—St. Petite, Mlle. Lucienne Boyer (Soprano).

Organ Solos—Take a Chance (Selection)—Broadway Time a Keyhole (Selection), Terence Casey.

Song—It's only a Paper Moon—This is Romance, Conrad Thibault (Baritone).

Piano Solo—The Queen was in the Parlour—Just one more Chance, Rale da Costa.

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-8.50 p.m.—From the Studio.

Dance Music by the Band of R.M.S. "Ranpara"

Programme.

1. How.

2. By a Waterfall.

3. Puddin' Head Jones.

4. Honeymoon Hotel.

5. Gather Lio Rouge while you may.

6. My Moonlight Madonna.

7. Everything I Have is Yours.

8. In a Shelter from a Shower.

9. Riding on a Haystack Home.

10. You're such a comfort to me.

11. Piano Solos—Medley.

12. Ol' Pappy.

13. Little Dutch Mill.

14. Over on the Sunny Side.

15. Adorable.

16. Sitting on a Backyard Fence.

17. Butter Fingers.

18. Snowball.

19. How can I be sure of you.

20. This Little Piggie went to Market.

21. No Thrill.

22. Meet me in the Gloaming.

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Sporting Page

COLONY SKIP LOOKS TOWARDS INTERPORT WITH CONFIDENCE

CRAIGENGOWER FAVOURED TO CHAMPIONS

Crucial Senior Bowls Match To-morrow

INDIANS ALMOST SURE OF JUNIOR TITLE

(By Short Head.)

If the weather remains fine, this week will see one of the most important Lawn Bowls League matches of the season decided. I refer to the fixture between the champions, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, and Craigen-gower "A", on the former's green at Kowloon.

Should the Kowloon Bowling Green Club win, they will be almost assured of retaining the championship. If Craigen-gower triumph, they still have some hard matches to play, but a win would increase their chances immensely.

The rain has repeatedly caused the postponement of matches which would have given some indication of the ultimate League winners. Last week, for instance, Craigen-gower were to have played the "giant killers", the Police, who, on their present form, are capable of defeating any team in the league, and had the match been played, there might have been less importance attached to to-morrow's game.

Craigen-gower Fancied

Comparing each team's performances, however, I fancy Craigen-gower will win. Another good match will be that between the Police and the Civil Service Cricket Club, and, although the latter are invariably strong on any of the Valley greens, the Police, in view of their recent performances, should win.

The "Dock Derby" in Kowloon should result in a win for Taikoo, and Craigen-gower "B" should gain two points from their encounter with the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Junior Upsets Unlikely

The Indians appear almost assured of the Junior Division championship, although there is "many a slip" etc. The Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Police are both very close behind, waiting for the Indians to falter, as they did recently on a visit to the Valley, where the Police defeated them by five shots.

This week the Indians visit to the Electricians at Ming Yuen, where they should be successful.

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Police are both playing away, the former at Craigen-gower, while the latter visit their neighbours, the Civil Service, and an away win in each case is indicated.

The Kowloon Cricket Club should complete the "double" at the expense of the Yacht Club, and the Club de Recreio should have another away win to their credit after their visit to the Football Club.

REVISED LEAGUE FIXTURES

Postponed Games Owing To Rain

The following is the revised programme of fixtures in the Lawn Bowls League:

SEPTEMBER 1

SENIOR DIVISION

C.S.C.C. (87) v. TAIKOO (47)
K.B.G.C. (—) v. C.C.C. "B" (—)
POLICE (87) v. K. DOCK (74)

RECREIO (48) v. K.C.C. (78)

JUNIOR DIVISION

H.K.E.R.C. (52) v. C.S.C.C. (88)
R.H.K.Y.C. (51) v. K.B.G.C. (47)
I.R.C. (41) v. POLICE (71)
K.C.C. (50) v. RECREIO (68)
H.K.F.C. (—) v. C.C.C. (—)

SEPTEMBER 8

SENIOR DIVISION

C.C.C. "A" (82) v. TAIKOO (86)
C.S.C.C. (82) v. K.B.G.C. (48)

DALLAH'S RINK CLOSE BEHIND LEADERS

FOUR SHOT SUCCESS YESTERDAY

SECURING a 4-shot win over J. J. Basto's (C. de R.) rink, A. R. Dallah's I.R.C. rink (A. O. Madar, S. O. Bux and M. Y. Adal) are now close on the heels of A. E. Carey's Police rink the present leaders in the Junior Division League.

The following are the standings of all skips in the junior league to date, including the results of yesterday's match between the Indians and the Recreio, which is also included in the League table:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.
A. E. Carey (Police)	13	11	2	0	86	0
A. R. Dallah (I.R.C.)	12	10	2	0	77	0
G. E. F. Thompson (K.B.G.C.)	13	8	4	1	58	0
A. M. Wahab (I.R.C.)	11	7	4	0	30	0
A. F. Paul (H.K.E.R.C.)	13	7	5	1	54	0
K. M. Omar (I.R.C.)	13	7	6	0	24	0
H. Overy (K.C.C.)	8	6	1	1	57	0
B. E. Maughan (R.H.K.Y.C.)	9	6	3	0	9	0
H. H. Rose (K.B.G.C.)	10	6	4	0	33	0
A. Macfarlane (R.H.K.Y.C.)	11	6	5	0	0	0
L. Luck (C.S.C.C.)	8	5	3	0	28	0
W. McHardy (Police)	8	5	3	0	10	0
J. G. Meyer (K.B.G.C.)	9	5	4	0	42	0
L. de Rome (H.K.E.R.C.)	9	5	4	0	0	8
W. K. Way (C.C.C.)	9	5	5	0	0	64
R. R. Davies (C.S.C.C.)	11	5	6	0	21	0
A. Chapman (R.H.K.Y.C.)	11	5	6	0	0	1
E. Kern (K.C.C.)	12	5	7	0	2	0
V. N. Atienza (C.C.C.)	13	5	8	0	0	15
W. E. Hale (K.B.G.C.)	7	4	3	0	55	0
J. Ribeiro (Recreio)	7	4	3	0	23	0
J. M. Jack (K.C.C.)	10	4	6	0	0	5
T. Fergusson (K.C.C.)	4	3	1	0	15	0
L. Whant (C.S.C.C.)	5	3	2	0	13	0
S. R. Riddell (Police)	6	3	2	1	22	0
Dr. R. A. Basto (Recreio)	7	3	4	0	0	18
J. J. Basto (Recreio)	10	3	7	0	0	33
W. Glendenning (Police)	8	3	4	1	0	16
J. Russell (H.K.F.C.)	11	3	8	0	0	51
F. Haynes (H.K.F.C.)	13	3	10	0	0	56
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	2	2	0	0	21	0
A. A. Razack (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	16	0
W. B. Muskett (H.K.E.R.C.)	2	2	0	0	10	0
H. Rozario (Recreio)	3	2	1	0	5	0
A. S. Gomes (C.C.C.)	3	2	1	0	3	0
S. Deacon (H.K.E.R.C.)	3	2	1	0	2	0
J. F. Luhn (H.K.E.R.C.)	3	2	1	0	1	0
A. Brooksbank (H.K.F.C.)	4	2	1	1	1	0
R. R. Wood (C.S.C.C.)	6	2	4	0	0	18
E. G. Barry (C.C.C.)	6	2	4	0	0	19
C. A. Lopes (Recreio)	7	2	5	0	0	15
J. Gregory (H.K.F.C.)	9	2	7	0	0	41
S. Deacon (H.K.E.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	4	0
C. H. Basto (Recreio)	2	1	1	0	27	0
I. G. Sousa (C.C.C.)	2	1	1	0	0	8
W. McLeod (Police)	2	1	1	0	0	15
A. A. Lewis (C.C.C.)	3	1	2	0	0	4
C. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	3	1	2	0	0	33
A. H. Basto (Recreio)	4	1	3	0	0	23
W. H. Muskett (H.K.E.R.C.)	6	1	5	0	0	32
J. S. Dinnen (K.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	0	1
A. M. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	0	9
L. Jack (K.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	0	6
T. W. Carr (K.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	0	7
N. M. Currie (H.K.E.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	0	10
C. B. Robertson (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	1	0	0	12
E. S. Carter (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	0	0	0	17
C. F. Alexander (Police)	1	0	1	0	0	20
Y. Abbas (C.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	0	24
L. E. Lammert (K.C.C.)	2	0	2	0	0	20
Sir Thomas Southern (R.H.K.Y.C.)	2	0	2	0	0	19

Junior Division Table To Date

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Up	D.	Pts.
INDIAN R.C.	13	11	2	861	688	178	0	22
KOWLOON B.G.C.	13	9	4	824	693	131	0	18
POLICE R.C.	13	9	4	804	743	61	0	18
KOWLOON C.C.	13	7	6	761	781	20	0	14
H. K. ELECTRIC	13	6	7	762	765	0	8	12
YACHT CLUB	11	5	6	626	625	1	0	10
CIVIL SERVICE	11	5	6	629	632	0	23	10
CLUB DE RECREIO	13	5	8	798	781	0	49	10
CRAIGENGOWER	13	5	8	697	805	0	108	10
FOOTBALL CLUB	12	2	11	681	883	0	172	4

K.C.C. (50) v. K. DOCK (58)	RECREIO (—) v. C.C.C. "B" (—)
H.K.E.R.C. (64) v. C.C.C. (64)	K.B.G.C. (68) v. C.S.C.C. (62)
I.R.C. (51) v. K.C.C. (69)	R.H.K.Y.C. (58) v. RECREIO (48)
H.K.F.C. (—) v. POLICE (—)	
September 18	
SENIOR DIVISION	
C.S.C.C. (51) v. C.C.C. "A" (44)	C.C.C. "B" (—) v. K. DOCK (—)
POLICE (85) v. RECREIO (54)	
JUNIOR DIVISION	
C.C.C. (68) v. C.S.C.C. (49)	I.R.C. (60) v. R.H.K.Y.C. (68)
RECREIO (85) v. POLICE (88)	H.K.F.C. (—) v. H.K.E.R.C. (—)

To-morrow's Fixtures

The following are the Lawn Bowls League fixtures for to-morrow, giving last season's result for the corresponding game in brackets:

SENIOR DIVISION	JUNIOR DIVISION
P.R.C. (62) v. C.B.G.C. (57)	C.B.G.C. (57) v. T.D.R.C. (58)
K.B.G.C. (58) v. C.C.C. "A" (49)	C.C.C. "B" (—) v. K.C.C. (—)
R.D.R.C. (57) v. T.D.R.C. (58)	C.C.C. (72) v. P.E.C. (43)
C.C.C. (72) v. P.E.C. (43)	C.C.C. (72) v. K.B.G.C. (54)
H.K.E.R.C. (57) v. I.R.C. (47)	H.K.E.R.C. (57) v. I.R.C. (47)
R.C.C. (64) v. R.H.K.Y.C. (43)	RECREIO (—) v. H.K.F.C. (—)



U. M. OMAR

INTERPORT BOWLS

FIRST GAME PLAYED IN 1918 IN SHANGHAI

Original Invitation Declined

EACH TEAM HAS EIGHT WINS

It was in 1917 that the question of an Interport Lawn Bowls contest was first mooted, and, in all, 16 interports have taken place between Shanghai and Hong Kong. The history of the contests is, therefore, comparatively short.

In 1917 the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Association sent an invitation to the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association to send a team of bowlers to play in Shanghai. The invitation had to be declined with much regret. The Great War was still on, and it was impossible to obtain leave of absence, owing to greatly depleted office staffs, and the difficulties in obtaining exemption from military duties.

SECOND INVITATION

Shanghai sent another invitation in 1918, but this, also had to be declined officially for various reasons.

Unofficially, however, four very keen bowlers, Messrs. C. Bond, W. G. Gerrard, D. Harvey and W. Russell (skip), known later as the "Big Four" for obvious reasons, made a trip to Shanghai. There they played in the first match of the present series for the "Prestige" Cup.

HONOURS EVEN

Up to and including 1929 the honours were decided on the result of one match, but since 1930 the results have been rested on three official games. In the single game series honours were even, each port having secured six wins. The honours are also shared in the three game series with two games all, thus making an equal number of eight wins for each port.

The following have been the results since 1912.

1912 Shanghai	— 30 shots to 11
1919 Hong Kong	— 27 shots to 13
1920 Shanghai	— 26 shots to 18
1921 Hong Kong	— 26 shots to 23
1922 Shanghai	— 24 shots to 8
1923 Hong Kong	— 27 shots to 23
1924 Shanghai	— 29 shots to 14
1925 Hong Kong	— 28 shots to 8
1926 Shanghai	— 19 shots to 17
1927 Shanghai	— 31 shots to 19
1928 Hong Kong	— 19 shots to 17
1929 Hong Kong	— 2 shots to 1
1930 Shanghai	— 3 games to 1
1931 Shanghai	— 3 games to 0
1932 Hong Kong	— 3 games to 0
1933 Hong Kong	— 2 games to 1

HONG KONG'S TEAM

The Hong Kong team for the Interport Bowls contest at Shanghai next month is comprised of Messrs. U. M. Omar (C.C.C.), R. Bassa (C.C.C.), H. Beer (C.C.C.), E. G. Post (Police), J. Watson (K.B.G.C.) and A. E. Carey (C.C.C.).

The team will leave by the President Tait, sailing on August 29. They will return by the B. M. S. Empress of Japan on September 12. Mr. B. E. Maughan, President of the L.B.A., will accompany the team as manager.

IMPORTANCE OF WIN STRESSED BY OMAR

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI NOW EVEN IN SERIES

TEAM BEST SELECTION AVAILABLE

U. M. OMAR, ONE OF THE COLONY'S OUTSTANDING BOWLS PLAYERS, WHO WILL SKIP THE HONG KONG SIDE IN THE INTERPORT MATCHES AGAINST SHANGHAI AND HANKOW NEXT MONTH, IS FULL OF CONFIDENCE AND EXPECTS TO WIN BOTH THE SERIES.

"It is important that we win," he said when interviewed by the "China Mail," "as the score of Interport games is now level with eight wins each. If we win it will give Hong Kong the lead for the first time since the series began."

Mr. Omar added that he considered the team was as strong as could be expected, and that they were fully capable of upholding the honour of the Colony. "I don't think it could be much improved," he added.

BEBBINGTON JOINS K.C.C. LEAGUE BOWLS TEAM

Playing in Silkstone's Rink In To-morrow's Games

N. J. Bebbington, former Civil Service player, who recently returned from home leave, has joined the Kowloon C.C. and will play his first League game for the Club to-morrow. He will continue to support the Club next season, it is understood.

He will be playing No. 2 in A. E. Silkstone's rink to-morrow.

INDIANS WIN OVER RECREIO AT SOOKUNPOO

Dallah Given Close Game By Basto

LEADERS 8 SHOTS UP

Winning on all three rinks, the Indian R. C. defeated the Club de Recreio in the Junior Division of the Lawn Bowls League by 67 shots to 55 at Sookunpoo yesterday.

The game was postponed last Saturday owing to heavy rain.

Scores:

I. R. C.	Recreio
A. H. Rumjahn	F. Marques
D. M. Khan	F. Xavier
Y. Wahab	A. J. Remedios
K. M. Omar (Skip)	J. Ribeiro (Skip)
J. Hosen	D. Alves
M. J. Razack	A. Xavier
A. M. Omar	P. A. Yranovich
A. R. Minu	C. H. Basto (Skip)
A. O. Madar	H. A. Botelho
S. O. Bux	J. M. S. Rosario
M. Y. Adal	F. X. Soares
A. R. Dallah (Skip)	J. J. Basto (Skip)
67	55



B. W. Bradbury, a formidable member of the Craigen-gower Cricket Club "A" team, which will contend with the Kowloon Bowling Green Club in one of the most vital matches of the season to-morrow.

BOWLING GREEN CHANGES FOR VITAL MATCH

W. S. Drake's Absence Causes Reshuffle

FOUR INTERPORTERS PLAYING FOR CRAIGENGOWER

The ultimate result of the 1934 Lawn Bowls League Championship rests largely on to-morrow's game between the champions, the Kowloon Bowling Green, and Craigen-gower "A" in Kowloon.

With 11 victories in 13 games this season, the Bowling Green are leaders of the Senior Division, but are closely challenged by the Valley Club who have won ten games out of their 12.

Playing at home, the champions have an advantage and may repeat their success of last season, when they won by 58 shots to 49, although in June last, when the teams met at the Valley, Craigen-gower won by 69 shots to 59.

W. S. DRAKE ABSENT

Several changes have been made in the champions' three rinks as a result of the absence of one of their skips, W. S. Drake, who is on holiday in Japan.

His rink, comprising P. T. Farrell, R. Hall, J. S. Logan, has been greatly changed.

J. G. Meyer, a skip from the Second Division team, replaces R. Hall, while M. J. Henderson, also from the junior team, will play in place of J. S. Logan. W. Macfarlane will leave his rink to R. Hall, and will skip Drake's rink.

The other rinks remain unaltered, and with their good understanding, gained through a season of regular play together, they are likely to offer a stern resistance.

C. G. C. UNCHANGED

Craigen-gower are unchanged, and with the four Colony Interporters included in their team, their chances are very bright indeed. U. M. Omar was unwell a week ago, but has now recovered and will lead his rink as usual.

The match has another interesting feature, in that it will decide the leadership of the premier league skip's record.

L. Guy's K.B.G.C. rink are at present leading the table by virtue of an extra game played. Last June his rink met and defeated U. M. Omar's C.C.C. rink, and the latter will now have the opportunity of securing their revenge.

B. W. Bradbury's rink (C.C.C.), is also ready to step into the leading position should Guy's rink fall. CHAMPIONS' THREE TRIUMPHS The Kowloon Bowling Green, the champions, first won the League in 1920, and repeated their success in 1927 and again last year.

Craigen-gower, who this season entered two teams in the competition, first won the League in 1925, and followed up their success with a "hat-trick," winning in 1928, 1929 and 1930. They lost the competition to the K.C.C. in 1931, but regained it in 1932.

OPEN RINKS FINAL ON SUNDAY

Police Duel Against Civil Service

The final of the Open Rink Championship, which has this year taken the place of the Spey Royal Cup competition, will be played on Sunday on the Craigen-gower C.C. green, commencing at 3.45 p.m.

The finalists are G. C. Moss's Police rink and A. W. Grimmit's Civil Service rink.

The teams are as follows:
E. W. Simmonds.
J. Deakin.
F. J. Jones.
A. W. Grimmit (skip).
W. Forrest.
A. E. Carey.
W. Main.
C. G. Moss (skip).

"MURDER AT THE VANITIES" WILL STARTLE COLONY ON SUNDAY



One of the many elaborate scenes in "Murder at the Vanities," a cleverly screened film, which will be shown at the King's Theatre on Sunday.

CARL BRISSON IN CURIOUS MIXTURE ON LAVISH SCALE

MARIAN DAVIES AND GARY COOPER IN COLOURFUL SPY DRAMA

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"MURDER at the Vanities" is a weird mixture. Two murders are committed behind the scenes of a musical extravaganza, and although the detective is called in to investigate, the Stage Manager prevails on him to allow the show to go on. When the murder are unperformed in your mind, you forget you are watching a musical, then when the amazing dance numbers are on, you forget the murders.

At least, let it be confessed, that Earl Carroll (who used to be the keenest rival of Flo Ziegfeld) certainly gives us some new ideas in lavish display—waving fans and dozens of undraped beauties (who have earned the censure of the League of Decency in the States) in poses that are startling. Busby Berkeley, Fox and M.G.M. have more or less educated us up to this kind of spectacle, and yet Carroll finds some new angles.

Carl Brisson's Rise

Carl Brisson, Danish actor and one-time boxer, who used to travel with his sister in a vaudeville act, when I first remember him, is now the Star. He made a name for himself in London and the Provinces as "Danilo" in "The Merry Widow." Pictures followed, and

plish wonders. As an added attraction Duke Ellington and his famous Band helps to put things over.

Earl Carroll is full of novel ideas, and if this kind of picture holds any attraction for you, then you will most certainly find this "murder-mystery-musical" good value for your money. (King's).

"The Ghoul"

"The Ghoul" is Britain's contribution to the horror type of film. Boris Karloff returned to England after 25 years' absence to star in the role of the eccentric Egyptologist, seemingly risen from the dead. At least his make-up is good, although the acting honours are stolen by Sir Cedric Hardwicke as the avaricious lawyer.

Dorothy Hyson and Harold Huth are a little too stagey for realism. Ernest Theiger adds a fine character study as the servant. Anthony Bushell is a juvenile on whom we can always rely.

The story is an old one. A jewel is stolen from an idol, and then follows the usual house-party of characters, all endeavouring to obtain it. The camera-work, by the German, Gunther, Kraml, is specially noticeable. (Queen's).

"This Man Of Mine"

"This Man of Mine" is a brilliant comedy, giving excellent acting chances to as fine a cast as any I have seen. I hardly know which one to choose.

Irene Dunne, (who pleases specially with her delightful playing and one song) unselfishly shares the honours with two other women: You cannot help hating Constance Cummings as the modern vamp—quite a compliment to this clever little artist. Kay Johnson (wife of the director, John Cromwell) gives a perfectly wonderful study of the outspoken sister-in-law.

Here is an actress, who, for some unknown reason is far too seldom seen on the screen, and another is Sydney Blackmer, who is here in a small role.

Ralph Bellamy, as the husband, is smug and not over-romantic, until the girl who had jilted him years before returns to try her wiles again on him to succeed beyond her hopes. After his disillusionment he returns to the wife who loves and understands him. I don't say the plot is new nor the story particularly brilliant, but the dialogue is witty, and each role is in the most capable hands. The sort of picture I heartily recommend. (King's).

"Operator 13"

"Operator 13", the film version of Robert Chambers' story, gives us all the glamour of the romantic days during the Civil War.

Here we have a "Gall, Lovelace" actress drawn into the service of the Northern Army for spy duty behind the lines in the South. At once you can sense that the pretty girl carrying her life in her hands, will meet with an intrepid gallant young Southerner, ending with the conflict between love and duty. Yes—easily one of the oldest plots in the cinema cupboard, but it gives adorable wide-eyed Marian Davies a chance to assume three or four different disguises and cut an appealing figure, although one is not exactly kept in suspense over her daring adventures as you feel that everything will be well with her in the end.

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(Continued from Column 8.) One of my favourite little actresses gives splendid support—Ginger Rogers. Among others well to the fore you will see Breckin Foster, Farina (the one-time Mills' darkie girl in "Our Gang"), Sheila Terry, and Arthur Byron. Well, worth a visit to the Alhambra.



John Bates plays no idle or parlour role in the Fox Film "Vile Golo," which is coming to the King's Theatre shortly.

Do You Know?

Myrna Loy, upon the completion of each of her pictures, slips away on a long trip after an hour or two's impulsive decision, without letting anyone know where she's going?

Alice Brady never uses cold cream on her face, but she uses castor oil instead?

Director W. S. Van Dyke, made his first appearance on the stage at the age of seven months?

Charlie Ruggles has "fired" Lester, his valet, more than 1000 times in the 10 years they've been together?

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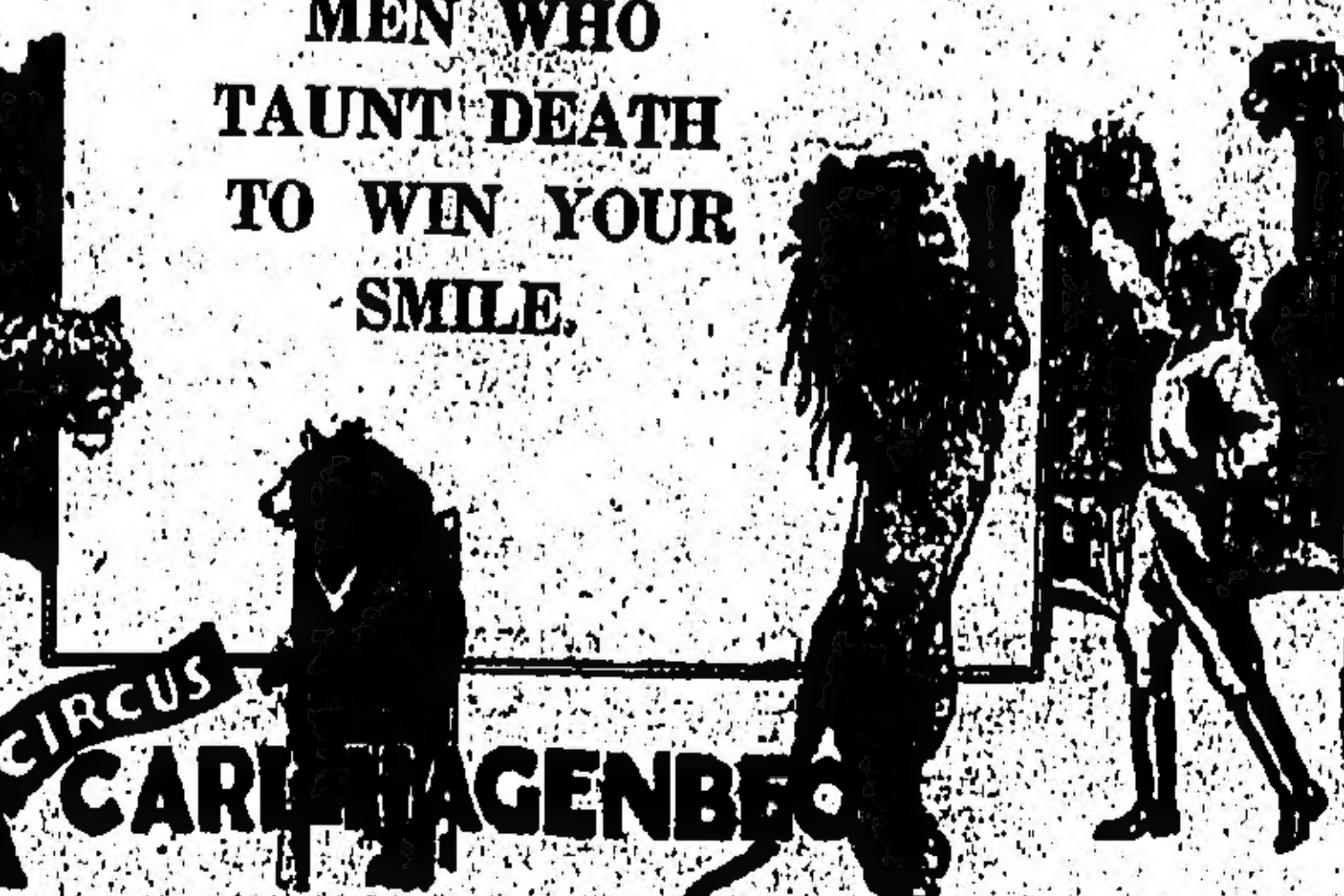
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Short Shots

THE Gloria Swanson-Herbert Marshall romance is rapidly cooling, and "Earl" assures the film Colony that he has no intention of being divorced.

The pictures made by baby Shirley Temple are breaking the records hitherto held by Mae West in New York and Chicago.

Hollywood expects the Jean Harlow-Max Baer romance to come to a dead end, as Max who has been offered any sum of money he likes to demand, will do a picture for Columbia soon.

After nearly twenty years in the States Reginald Denny is taking out his papers as an American citizen.

Douglas Fairbanks Jr. has given a beautiful yacht to Gertrude Lawrence.

Alas, it seems too true that Laurel and Hardy will soon dissolve partnership.

It is sad to relate, that after many rumours, it really seems that Robert Montgomery's marriage is going on the rocks. His baby daughter is not yet two years old, and their first one died of spinal meningitis.

The Kay Francis-Maurice Chevalier romance had cooled considerably before she left for Italy with the Countess de Frasso.

"The Merry Widow" is going to be the greatest production of Ernest Lubitsch's career. Una Merkel and Edward Everett Horton have good roles.

GARBO'S TRIBUTE TO BRISSON

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FILMDOM WONDERS

Did Greta Garbo sit in the aisle of a theatre to witness the preview of a picture starring the man whom Hollywood contends was her first love?

Several swear they saw her. Since Carl Brisson, native Dane and English stage and screen idol, came to Paramount's Hollywood studios to make his American debut in Earl Carroll's "Murder at the Vanities," his name has been linked with Garbo's.

It was learned in foreign dispatches that they were childhood sweethearts, and that Brisson gave the Swedish actress her first big chance in a cafe in Stockholm.

When word went out that Brisson's picture was to be previewed, reports came from Garbo's secluded home that she would make every effort to be in the audience.

Woman's Hurried Entrance
A few minutes before "Murder at the Vanities" flashed on the screen in the little theatre near Hollywood, the doorman attempted to stop a woman who hurried through the door without offering a ticket.

She wore a long coat, a dark slouch hat and a pair of dark blue glasses. On her feet were heavy brogues.

The flustered doorman was positive it was Garbo. So are several others who saw her and heard her speak. She crowded into a place in the aisle, and sat down to see the preview.

then a Hollywood contract. A clever Press-agent saw that his arrival in the film colony was heralded with a flourish of publicity, and now he has a retinue of servants, a showy car, and the most sumptuous home in Beverly Hills where he startles the natives with his hospitality.

Brisson reminds me of Thomas Meighan in his prime. He is handsome, has a nice singing voice, plenty of assurance, and smiles that should ensure him of a large female "fan" following.

Of the supporting cast Gertrude Michael and Dorothy Stickney are the best. Kitty Carlisle, the leading lady is a distinct disappointment. Victor Mc Laglen, who does not look nor act like a detective, and Jack Oakie, as the sage manager, vie with each other in chasing the pretty chorus girls, and share the humour. The girls and boys in the dance ensembles work hard and accomplish.

\$5,000 FINE FOR IMPROPER FILMS

In their endeavours to meet the agitation for clean films, the Moguls of Hollywood are reported to-day to have decreed that a fine of \$5,000 is to be imposed on any production or distributing company violating the code of morals promulgated years ago by Mr. Will Hays, the motion picture "Czar."

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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Friday, August 24, 1934.

Success To Endeavour!

The fine display by the Endeavour yesterday at Newport, R.I. is reassuring for Mr. Sopwith's success in his quest of the America's Cup. Four years have elapsed since the last races for that trophy, and now it is the sportsmanship of Mr. Sopwith that has made a new challenge possible. His enterprise is not so hopeless as in days when a yacht capable of reaching the America under its own sail had to compete in the race with vessels specially designed for racing in the waters round New York. The conditions have been made more equal. Naval architects have learned much from the past failure. The Endeavour is more likely to win than any of the previous challengers for the Cup.

Interest has been added to the races by the fact that the Endeavour will be sailed by a crew mainly of amateurs, owing to a "strike" of paid hands. That brings a new element into the contest that may have permanent effects upon a struggle which, whatever the result this year, will continue to be the premier test of supremacy under sail. Mr. Sopwith has committed himself to no more than the cautious declaration that he is pleased with the way Endeavour has been sailing. He is under no misapprehension as to the effort that the American defenders will make to retain the trophy. The America's Cup was carried away from Britain over eighty years ago, and has never again crossed the Atlantic.

A Regular Army King's Prize Winner.

Another Blaisey has closed with the King's Prize won for the first time by a member of the Regular Army. Until 1919 only Territorials or retired Volunteers or Territorials shot in the chief competition. Capt. Barlow has broken a long tradition, and proved himself a worthy champion by the steadiness with which, after a tie, he scored a string of bulls to win the day. The meeting this year has been marked both by high scoring and by the proportion of successful competitors who are serving in the Regular forces.

If the Territorial marksmen have not had quite the success they enjoyed in the past it is possible that this is due to the reduction of the amount of ammunition now issued to the Territorial force. A rifleman who practises constantly must either pay for extra cartridges or have them provided at the cost of his unit. Yet it cannot be alleged

that there is general deterioration in the shooting. The winning score this year was only one point below the highest made since the new conditions came into force. The all-round standard is improving, and in that respect Blaisey is serving its purpose.

Hollywood Learning From England.

So little accustomed are we to find merit in things British for ourselves that it is with some sense of gratitude that we hear of the merits of English cinema films. When the truth is spoken by an outside observer, Mr. Joseph Schenck, we recognise it for what it is. Many of the recent British films have set a standard of quality that is not reached in Hollywood. They have restored acting to the position it should occupy in dramatic representation, and have availed themselves finely of the new technique that the talking film has imposed upon screen representation. Hollywood, we are told, is learning from England, and there is ample evidence that the British film has more than a national appeal. Quotas, which were imposed to give the British film a real chance of development in Britain, are probably no longer necessary, for most theatres are showing on their merits a greater percentage of British pictures than the quota demands. Other comments on recent developments arise naturally out of the importance that good acting has regained. Beauty is not now essential to the film star; character and fine acting count for more. Extravagant expenditure of less consequence, for the talking film requires more intimate scenes. Of sex appeal the public has tired, although it welcomes romance and realism, and the golden days for untrained beauties are past. Put into a nutshell all this means that the film is approximating ever more closely to the theatre of the living actor, and that Britain, with its theatrical tradition, has a great school of actors and actresses to draw upon. Even so, it is doubtful whether the British cinema business could have regained the setback of the war period had not the coming of the talking film meant a new era in which producers could work without the sense of suffering a handicap that could not be overcome.

DR. WANG RESIGNS POST IN SHANGHAI

The resignation of Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Chinese Judge at the International Court of Justice, as Director of the Shanghai College of Law, Shanghai, has been accepted, and Mr. Dou Yuen-seng has been elected to fill the vacancy.

HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

FICTION STRANGER THAN TRUTH

It would be difficult to carve out a piece of India for the special benefit of the Aga Khan; but not so difficult as to authenticate the greater number of the stories that circulate about his privileges and sanctity.

Three at least are untrue. The followers who pay him tribute do not number 78,000,000; he is a spiritual leader of the Khoja sect, which is a small branch of the Shia division of Islam. His bath-water is not bottled and retailed at high price.

Champagne is not supposed to turn to water as it passes his lips.

WRECK OF THE MAYFLOWER

The old Surrey Theatre, which is for sale, gave to the British Drama the adjective "transporting" as applied to blood-and-thunder plays, which were the favourite fare at this theatre "across the bridge."

It was some years later that this theatre became chiefly associated with the Adelphi.

There have been many types of entertainment at the Surrey, including pantomimes whose regular feature was the "Cat" which climbed all round the dress circle.

There was an occasion when drama nearly developed into real tragedy.

The sailing of the Mayflower was staged, before an audience which included some distinguished Americans.

The ship lumbered jerkily along, as is the way of stage ships.

Then it layed and toppled its load of hymn-singing emigrants into the orchestra.

Your Daily Smile!

"I may as well inform you right away," remarked the surgeon gravely, "that only nine persons out of ten recover from the operation I am about to perform on you. Tell me, Rustus, is there anything I can do for you before I begin?"

"Yesah—hand me my hat."

Watch Your Ankles

Complaint is made that at some popular beaches the bathers have to scramble over rocks covered with seaweed. This is known as going down to the sea in ships.

"WRESTLERS' REUNION"

Boys of the hold brigade.

Not a Note

Bill: "You know that music stool you sold me?"

Jim: "Yes."

Bill: "Well, I've twisted and turned it in all directions, but I can't get a single note out of it!"

Facts You Did Not Know

Japan's drug and pharmaceutical industry supplied about 75 per cent of the country's requirements.

In tests weights up to 2500 pounds have been successfully lowered from airplanes with parachutes.

Gas generated from coke has run an automobile ten miles at a cost of less than a penny in England.

A machine that raises the unworn threads has been invented to enable men to darn their own hosiery.

OIL MAGNATE RESIGNS

San Francisco: To-day—Mr. Moffett has resigned the Vice-Presidency of the standard Oil Company of California to devote his full time to the Housing Administration—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

CHINESE MINISTERS LEAVES FOR KULING

Dr. Chu Chia-hua, Minister of Education, and Mr. Chen Shao-kuan, Minister of Navy, left Nanking yesterday morning by air for Kuling, where they will see Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. It is reported that they have important matters to report.

While looking out of a tram-car window in Johnston Road yesterday, Wong Chuen was struck by another tram-car coming in the opposite direction, sustaining injuries to his head for which he was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

NO DEFENCE AGAINST GAS ATTACKS

SOUND REASON FOR A STRONG AIR FORCE
WAR HORRORS FORESEEN

(By the Earl of Halsbury.)

London. A few hundred casualties. One must realise that the enemy will endeavour to obliterate London in one mass attack, with at least half of her 7,000,000 population casualties in the first 24 hours. That is the present danger, and it is against that that a defence, if any is possible, must be provided.

Many ideas have been suggested, most of them palliative. Gas masks are a broken reed. As has been pointed out against a new gas, they are a broken reed. As has been pointed out against a new gas, they are a broken reed. As has been pointed out against a new gas, they are a broken reed.

The tragedy on the 'Suippes in 1917 showed this. Defence by way of blocking up windows and doors was gone into very carefully by Pavlov in Russia. It is only possible in certain designs of houses, and then only a short term palliative.

The third is the attack by bacilli. Some authorities are inclined to put this menace as the greatest danger. It would be a bold man who would say that this is impossible, but experience does seem to make it unlikely. It was tried during the last war by Germany in order to infect the Argentine meat coming over to this country, and it signally failed.

The fourth form of attack is, alas! only too well known. That poison gas can be distributed easily from the air is common knowledge. The fact that areas in important towns have been considered and tried by all nations is equally common knowledge to those who have been interested in the question. As early as 1916 this whole matter was taken up by the private enterprise of M. Michelin in France, and in 1917 he was good enough to allow me to know what had been done and to confer with him regularly.

Further—and essential—sanitation would have to be provided. When one considers that this will also have to be provided for Birmingham, Liverpool, Southampton and all the big cities one's brain reels. The answer may be very unpalatable, but it must be faced. There is no direct defence. There is one defence, but it is an indirect one, and it must be taken at once if it is to be effective. Let the people—not the Governments—they do not matter—of every country know that the next war means mutual obliteration of the people. Them-selves, their wives, their husbands, their children, their fathers, their mothers—everyone.

To let the people of every country know this, every country must be strong enough in the air to implement threat with action. Then at last, rid of all Genevies, sane people bound by the lasting tie of common sense may put aside the madness of war.

Evacuation Only Solution
Hospitals are quite negligible having regard to the fact that they themselves could not be immune to gas and to the number of casualties. Tubes and cellars are worse than useless. The gas must be heavier than air and therefore descends.

Evacuation of great cities. At first sight this seems the only possible solution. But where does it lead to? Suddenly—even if martial law and drill were adopted in peace-time—7,000,000 people would be distributed from London alone throughout the country. They would have to be housed, fed and watered.

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The modern attack is en route, that is to say, skimming over the roof tops at from 20-30 feet. Interceptor scouts have no room to manoeuvre for attack. They cannot dive or they would crash into the roofs. There is no air room to get underneath and to fly above is to be shot down like partridges by the massed guns of the attacking squadron. No anti-aircraft gun could ever be brought to bear before the bombing squadron was out of sight over the roofs.

And there is one other question to be considered before defence can be thought of. What is the amount of gas necessary to obliterate London? This is a question of simple arithmetic taken from figures published by the War Office with regard to a gas known and tested in the last war.

Assume a rectangle Richmond-Barking Creek, W-E; Tottenham-Wimbledon, N-S.

Assume that the gas could be perfectly distributed (which, of course, it could not), to produce an absolutely lethal atmosphere up to over 80 feet would take less than 40 tons.

Mass Attack On London
The papers give so often such very exact figures of the weight carried and the speed of the air-planes of to-day that it is idle to attempt here. A very rapid mental calculation will arrive at a sufficiently exact idea. If one thinks of squadrons, each able to effect this, passing over London every hour for twenty-four consecutive hours, one begins to realise the magnitude of the problem.

It is necessary to consider the danger before considering the defence. It is wholly useless to fore-see small sporadic attacks with

platoon was also made.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

After being bitten by a dog, belonging to Lo Wing-kit, of No. 105 Robinson Road, Lee Chuep was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday for treatment. The dog has been sent to Kennedy Town for observation.

Pleading guilty to the charges of breaking into No. 34 Belcher Street and stealing godown fittings, Leung Tak, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was imposed on Chan Sai, unemployed, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, for the theft of a five cent piece from the pocket of Fung Shui, an electrician, at the Children Playground, Wanchai.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed on Mui Hing, unemployed, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, for breaking and entering No. 69 Queen's Road, East: last night with intent to commit a felony.

A fine of \$10 was imposed on Umir Khan, an unemployed Indian, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, for entering the Colony without a valid passport. An order for extradition was also made.

BRITISH TENNIS GIRLS TRIUMPH IN AMERICAN TOURNAMENT

Wedding At St. John's Crozier-Hodds

Bride From England

A quiet and simple wedding was solemnized at 2.30 p.m. today, when Miss Ann Hodds, who arrived from England last week, became the bride of Mr. Douglas Crozier, master at King's College, Hong Kong. The Rev. H. W. Baines officiated.

The bride, who was simply and tastefully attired in white, was given away by the Rev. Noel Evans, and was without the attendance of bridesmaids or Matron of Honour.

Mr. Jack Grenham, of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company, officiated as best man, while Mr. F. Mason, F.R.C.O., presided at the organ.

A reception was held at the Gloucester Building, after which the happy couple left for their honeymoon at Cheung Chau.

U.S. RELIEF FOR DROUGHT SITUATION

(Continued from Page 1).

A Government statement declares that the drought has compelled both Canada and the United States to conserve cattle feed. Where surplus areas in Canada are contiguous to deficit areas in the United States, or vice versa, arrangements will be made for the movement of feed stuffs across the border. — Reuter.

A.A.A. TO SUPPORT FARMERS.

Expansion Plans For 1935 Wheat Average.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894, Received August 24, 9.50 a.m.)
Washington, To-day.

Mr. Chester C. Davis, head of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, states that when farmers have decided what form if any, of Government crop control they want next year, the Administration will follow their sentiment.

Meanwhile, the A.A.A. is reputed to be planning a 5 per cent. expansion in the 1935 wheat acreage, envisaging a crop of 750,000,000 bushels. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

750,000,000 Bushel 1935 Wheat Crop.

Washington, Later.

It is authoritatively learned that the Agricultural Adjustment Administration wants a 750,000,000 bushel 1935 wheat crop, requiring the planting of a 90 per cent. base acreage or 5 per cent. more than in 1934.

Some consideration is being given to the planting of the full acreage pasturing portion prior to harvesting, which is more flexible than controlled planting in the event of a drought. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

SUPPORTING KWANGTUNG INDUSTRIES

(Continued from Page 1)

Although the order does not mention further exemptions, it is understood that government offices having communications with foreigners are allowed to use typewriters, imported papers, general stationery, stencils, mimeographs, carbon papers, etc.

The Canton Municipal Government has enforced a ruling whereby all its staff must wear semi-military uniform tailored from native materials. There is a standing order that all other officials have to wear suits made of native cloth, but this rule is not strictly enforced.

One case of diphtheria was reported in the Colony during the 24 hours ended August 22.

THREE WOMEN CAR DRIVERS IN COURT

Dangerous Driving And Obstruction.

KEEPING TO WRONG SIDE

Summoned for causing an obstruction with her car in front of Lane, Crawford's Ltd., Des Voeux Road Central, Mrs. N. P. Fitzgerald was cautioned by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. D. B. Evans, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared and pleaded guilty for Mrs. Fitzgerald.

Summoned for failing to keep to the left side of the road while driving, Miss V. C. Y. Kwok, of No. 49 Robinson Road, and driver of private car No. 1042, was fined \$10.

The Inspector General of Police, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, presided.

For dangerous driving in Island Road, Miss Myra Chan, of No. 15 Peak Road, was fined \$10.

For driving at a speed of 40 miles per hour along Whitfield Road, Yuen Wai, driver of public car No. 288, was fined \$25. Sergeant Brown said that accused passed two moving tram-cars and one motor car.

BUS COMPANY MANAGER FINED FOR BAD BRAKES

Europeans Without Licenses.

KOWLOON TRAFFIC CASES

For failing to keep bus No. 454 in a clean condition, and failing to have the brakes in good condition, Mr. S. T. Louey, manager of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company, was fined \$5 and \$20, respectively, by Mr. E. I. Wynne Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Mr. J. Revel, the European Engineer stated that the brakes were in a good condition when the bus left the garage, and that the driver was responsible for them after that.

The driver, Lui Wong, was also fined \$10 for not reporting that the brakes were not good.

DRIVERS WITHOUT LICENSES

Mr. R. T. O. Lammert, of No. 7 Village Road, was fined \$5 for having no driver's license, and \$5 for not having his car, No. 3516, licensed.

For failing to have a driver's license, Mr. N. Stockton, of the South China Morning Post was fined \$5.

Miss G. E. Smalley was fined \$5 for not having a driver's license.

PILLION-RIDER ENDANGERED
Mr. A. Piana, of No. 25 Kimberley Road, was fined \$5 for carrying a passenger on the back of his motor-cycle, No. 1140, on a cushion which was not secured to the cycle.

For failing to have two front lights burning on his car, Mr. J. E. Noronha, of No. 299 Prince Edward Road, was fined \$3.

Mr. O. R. Torrores was fined \$3 for failing to show a red rear light on his car, No. 2851.

ATTEMPTED ARSON FAILS.

Kerosene Used On Staircase.

An attempt to burn the staircase of the third floor of No. 10, Hau Wo Street, at 2.30 o'clock this morning was frustrated before any serious damage occurred by the timely intervention of the occupants of No. 8 Hau Wo Street.

A broken bottle, which had contained kerosene, and brown paper soaked in kerosene, were found near the staircase.

The police are investigating the matter.

COL. ALLEN INSPECTOR AT IRAQ ARMY STAFF SCHOOL

London, To-day.
The War Office announces that Colonel H. T. Allen has been appointed Inspector of the Staff School of the Iraq Army with effect from September 6. — British Wireless Service.

AMY MOLLISON FIRST WOMAN CROSS-CHANNEL PILOT

Famous Aviatix Joins Staff Of Hillman Airways Company

London, To-day.
Mrs. Mollison, who as Miss Amy Johnson was the first woman to fly from England to Australia and who has since made many notable long distance flights with her husband, Mr. J. A. Mollison, has joined the staff of the Hillman Airways Company, thus becoming the first Cross-Channel woman pilot.

She took her first passenger craft across yesterday, reaching Le Bourget in pouring rain. — British Wireless Service.

WORKING GIRLS FRAUDED

Bogus Silk Factory In Wanchai.

THREE CHINESE WANTED

Systematic frauds on Chinese working girls in Wanchai are reported to have been carried out by three Chinese, Chan Foo, Lai King and Leun Kee.

The men obtained the money in sums of \$2.00, on the pretence that they were staying in a factory, called the Wing Ngai Silk Factory, at No. 275, Lockhart Road, securing the cash from the girls as "workers' application fees." They distributed handbills in Wanchai announcing the opening of the factory, but on the day named the girls found that it was a fraud, no factory existing at the given address.

The men are described as: Chan Foo, 30, short, thin white clothes, socks and shoes.

Lai King, 30, tall, thin, white clothes, black socks, white shoes.

Leun Kee, 26, medium height, stout, white clothes and shoes.

All three spoke Puntli dialect.

PEPPER ASSAULT ON TAXI DRIVER

Two Chinese Decamp With \$8.00.

Another pepper assault on a taxi-driver occurred at about 10 o'clock last night when Yuen Yekwan, driver of taxi No. 716, was attacked and robbed of \$8.00 by two Chinese in Shamshuipo.

Yuen reported that the two men engaged him near the Jordan Road Ferry, and ordered him to drive to Shamshuipo. When near Kiu Kiang Street he was asked to stop, and as he turned and informed the passengers that the fare was 65 cents, they threw pepper in his eyes and took \$8.00 from his pocket.

The robbers decamped in an easterly direction, but left behind a rattan basket containing a white topoe, a pair of trousers and a pair of canvas shoes.

BRITAIN WILL NOT RETURN TO GOLD STANDARD

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A later clause relates to the possibility that the export of capital, arising from the sale of gold, might be prohibited.

It is learned that Lloyd's are issuing special policies to gold holders, firstly, against "requisition" only by the British Government at the rate of 2/- per \$100 for 12 months, 1/6 per \$100 for six months and 1/1 per \$100 for three months; secondly, "requisition and/or confiscation" against all risks, excluding depreciation of the value of gold, at the rate of 2/6 per \$100 per annum.

No shorter terms are quoted for the second form of insurance. Leading foreign Bankers deprecate and ridicule rumours of imponding and also the suggestion that Great Britain will return to the gold standard. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

Sterling Falls In Paris.

SECOND LOW RECORD SINCE WEDNESDAY

Paris, later.
Sterling closed at a new low of 75.08 on the Bourse, yesterday as

MAGISTRATE'S RULING ON OWNERSHIP

Stolen Fans Present Big Problem.

RIVAL COUNSELS CLAIMS

The disposal of nine electric fans, part of a number stolen from the Great Eastern Hotel, claimed by Mr. M. K. Lo to be the property of the Wing On Company, and by Mr. Leo D'Almada, Snr., to have been bought in a perfectly justifiable manner by the Sun Wah Boarding House, Connaught Road, set a pretty problem for Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy, this morning.

The enigma arose after hearing of the case against Kwok Chan-fun, an unemployed Chinese, who was charged with the theft of the fans.

It was revealed that the fans, the property of the Wing On Company, were stolen by Kwok Chan-fun from the Great Eastern Hotel, and nine of them were sold by accused to the Sun Wah Boarding House, while two were pawned on various dates between June 1 and June 21.

Mr. D'Almada, appearing for the Sun Wah Boarding House, asked His Worship not to make an order for a re-delivery of the fans to the Wing On Company, until he had straightened the matter up with the Superintendent of the Police. He added that the fans had been bought in a bona fide manner by his clients.

RESTITUTION CLAIMED
Mr. Lo claimed restitution for the Wing On Company, and said that it was elemental law that the fans should be returned to his clients.

Sub-Inspector R. Cunningham stated that accused came to the Colony about three years ago, and was for six months employed in the shoe department at the Wing On Company. Owing to ill health he was compelled to resign. He was arrested on Wednesday at his house, No. 15 Fuk Wing Street, Shamshuipo, following a report made to the Police by Mr. Wilkie Lam, manager of the Wing On Company, that 21 electric fans had been stolen from the Great Eastern Hotel.

Nine of these fans were bought by the Sun Wah Boarding House, while two were recovered from pawn shops.

Mr. Macfadyen said that under the Ordinance, it was quite clear that the fans should be returned, and awarded judgment in favour of complainants. The pawned fans were also restored to the Wing On Company on payment of half the pawn price.

After having been sentenced to three months' hard labour, accused asked for an optional fine, which the Magistrate refused. Accused said that he stole the fans with the assistance of an ex-employee of the Great Eastern Hotel.

STRIKE TENSION IN AMERICA

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ROOSEVELT'S ACTION
New York, to-day.—President Roosevelt has ordered a 10 per cent. increase in the cotton-garment industry wages which, it is believed, will avert the threatened textile strike. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

Trading in Anaconda, Copper issues is increasing due to the reports of an early settlement of the strike. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

COUNTY CRICKET SENSATIONS

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Leicestershire, who beat Nottingham by an innings and 106 runs, provided the other upset of the day.

Batting first, Northants scored 369. Hampshire collapsed before the deadly bowling of Partridge (6 for 24) and were forced to follow on 262 in arrears. In their second venture they fared little better to score 164 against the bowling of Cox (5 for 72).

Aided by an innings of 117 by Armstrong, Leicesters compiled 399, and dismissed Nottingham for 188 in their first innings and 135 in their second.

compared with Wednesday's new low of 74.1/32. The fall was due to the withdrawal of the support of the London "control", which, for several weeks, has been starting at 78.11/32. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.



V. E. Jaki, weatherman. Guardsman unloading gas tank.

A ticklish job is that of the official weatherman of the United States Army Air Service stratosphere flight at Grand City, S. D. Calculating prevailing winds at various stages of the proposed 14-mile ascent is the job of V. E. Jaki of the Kansas City, Mo., airport. The final decision as to when Captain A. W. Stevens, famed aerial photographer, and Major W. E. Kepner would start their unsuccessful flight rested with Jaki.

To-day's Short Story.

The Bearer Of The Message

By Fritz Hopman.

DURING the winter of 1869, I entrusted my medical work for a while to two of my friends, and left Paris so as to attend the International Congress of Medicine at Moscow. The first sessions of the Congress were extremely interesting.

Famous men of the day exposed new theories and discussed new methods which have been quite forgotten since, and I entered, with the ardent enthusiasm of youth, into the discussions that followed these discourses.

On the third day of the Congress, a young Swedish professor had been talking of the treatment of epilepsy by "mesmerism," as psychic medicine was called in those days. During the course of these interesting and stimulating debates I heard telepathy and the significance of dreams discussed by eminent men whom I could not but respect. Hitherto, I had considered such phenomena as inventions of the superstitious, but as I was on the way back to my hotel, I realised that the materialism of my young days had had a rude blow, and that it was time I revised my outlook on life.

That evening, the Governor of Moscow gave a dinner in honour of the most brilliant diplomats and officers, of renowned scholars and beautiful women.

I was sitting next to a Dorpat surgeon, who knew French very well, and I was absolutely in my element. I was still at the age when all hero-worship has not been stifled, and I lived in the timid admiration that a young man must have experienced later, when he saw for the first time Pasteur, Lister, Metchnikoff or Virchow. To my romantic mind these great men seemed like stars in the firmament, totally superior beings.

Moreover, I was conscious that, for the time being, at least, even I was on an equal footing with the great men who were present. Someone touched my arm gently. I was surprised to see a woman, whom I did not know, speaking to me in Russian. She was an intriguing creature, pale, supple and slight. The pallor of her face was remarkable, and lines of care marked it. Amid an assembly of such brilliant men and women she introduced an element of sadness and anxiety. It was as though a window had been opened through which an icy wind blew, driving snow into the room.

As I did not understand Russian, I did not understand her. But before long I became a

prey to doubts and distrust, and I regretted the light and warmth of the palace. I had so thoughtlessly left. I cursed my own credulity. The silence and monotony of the journey made me think into a drowsy sleep. I felt detached sometimes as though I were alone in the kledge, sometimes as though I were old, very old.

I began to dread an attack of wolves, and I wished I had brought a revolver with me. I did not know what to think of my adventure, for in a country infested with secret societies anything might happen. Was I walking into some trap? Was I not suspected of nihilism? Was I going to be robbed? But why not choose someone rich? I invented end-

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REACH THE FINAL

MISS STAMMERS AND FREDA JAMES CAUSE AN UPSET

HELEN JACOBS ON LOSING SIDE.

PERRY AND BETTY NUTHALL ALSO SUCCEED

Germantown, To-day.

Kathleen Stammers and Freda James, British Wightman Cup players, caused a sensation yesterday when they entered the Final of the Women's Invitation Lawn Tennis Doubles Tournament, held in conjunction with the American National Men's Doubles Championship, by defeating Helen Jacobs and Elizabeth Ryan, the famous American pair, in straight sets.

Miss Barbara Cruikshank and Mrs. John Van Ryn, an American combination, also entered the Final, defeating Miss Carolyn Babcock and Mrs. Andrus.

Britain recorded a further success, when Fred Perry and Betty Nuthall defeated Wilbur Allison and Mrs. Van Ryn in the Mixed Doubles.

Results, as cabled by Reuter, were:—

Miss K. Stammers and Miss F. James (Britain) beat Miss H. Jacobs and Miss E. Ryan 6-4, 6-0.

Miss B. Cruikshank and Mrs. Van Ryn (U.S.) beat Miss Babcock and Mrs. Andrus 8-10, 6-3, 6-3.

MIXED DOUBLES
F. Perry and Miss B. Nuthall (Britain) beat W. Allison and Mrs. Van Ryn 6-4, 7-5.

SHIELDS AND WOOD ELIMINATED

Surprise Win By Kirby And Menzel.

FIVE SETS AND 64 GAMES IN U.S. NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

LOTT AND STOEFFEN IN FINAL.

Germantown, To-day.

J. V. Kirby and Roderick Menzel, the South African and Czechoslovakian aces, entered the Fourth Round of the American National Men's Doubles Lawn Tennis Championship when they surprisingly beat Frank Shields and Sidney Wood, members of America's Davis Cup team, after 64 games, yesterday.

George Lott and Lester Stoeffen entered the Final by defeating Berkeley Bell and Gregory Mangin, recognised as stern challengers for the title, in straight sets.

Vernon Kirby, one of the best-known South African tennis players, was born at Durban in 1911. He has won the South African Doubles Championship on several occasions. — In 1928, with G. Eaglestone, 1929, with J. J. Condon, and in 1931 and 1933 with N. G. Farquharson. He reached the Semi-final of the Wimbledon Doubles with Farquharson in 1933.

R. B. Menzel is recognised as one of the world's leading players, and numbers among his triumphs victories over Harada, Ohta, Maier, Hughes, Timmer, Perry and Crawford.

Results, as cabled by Reuter, were:—

J. V. Kirby and R. B. Menzel beat F. X. Shields and S. B. Wood 3-6, 13-11, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.

G. M. Lott and L. R. Stoeffen beat B. Bell and G. Mangin 10-8, 6-1, 7-5.

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Marital law was asked and special deputies were sworn in to protect farmhands as they toiled in the fields near Bridgeton, N.J., following blood-thirsty battle between officers and other farmhands—strikers—in which 50 persons were injured. Many crops were left rotting in the fields during this period. The photograph shows crops being harvested under an armed guard on the Seabrook Farm, near Bridgeton.

The Bearer Of The Message

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less theories, and rejected them all.

I was almost asleep when we reached a little village, where lights were still burning in the windows of some of the houses.

The horses were foaming and panting when they stopped outside a kind of inn. The door opened, and I saw, through a cloud of tobacco smoke, the dark form of a man in a tunic and high boots. We got out of the sledge, and I was glad to stretch my stiff legs. The driver was in conversation with the innkeeper, but the woman led me farther on in the darkness.

I decided to defend myself to the best of my power if I were attacked. There was perfect silence all around us; as we made our way through the snow, we did not speak a word. I was greatly distressed, and my mind was full of the talk about the occult, to which I had listened during the afternoon. I thought of the stories my nurse had told me, when she was putting me to bed; of specters, and I saw in my mind's eye tombs, haunting newly opened graves, coffins, black-covered lanterns lit on grey days, and all the fantastic visions that have profaned the idea of death and made it hideous and terrifying.

Finally we reached the garden wall of a dark-looking country house. I rang, footsteps approached. I turned round thinking that the woman was going to speak. To my great horror and amazement, I found that she had disappeared. I was alone. I could not understand how she could have vanished so quickly and so silently, but I had no time to indulge in speculations, for the door opened, and I saw a girl standing before me.

I explained to her in French the purpose of my visit. She answered hesitatingly that I must have made a mistake, since all the members of her family were in good health. She asked me to go in and speak to her father, who spoke and understood French better than she did. I was in utter despair, but I followed her to a kind of study, where an old man was sitting in an armchair, beside an earthenware stove.

There was no need of a specialist to tell that he was suffering from some form of heart disease. His face was a bluish purple, and his nose was red like a drunkard's. He held a cigarette in his hand, and it quivered each time his heart beat.

I greeted him, and explained again the reason of my visit. The old man looked at me over his spectacles and frowned. Evidently, he did not believe a single word of what I said, and he wanted to know my real intentions. To appease him and to explain my disturbing his peaceful dwelling at such an hour, I told him all the details of my adventure. He listened with eager attention to my story, and when I finished, he said:

"I don't know what to think of it. In any case, you are wrong. There is no one ill here. But now you have taken so much trouble for nothing, I should like you to stay a while. You can't return to Moscow to-night. You will have to stay at the inn. I should be glad to offer you hospitality, but we do not receive visitors, and we have not many comforts to offer."

He passed me a box of cigarettes, and the daughter made me some tea with lemon and rum. Meanwhile, I constructed a theory, more or less unconsciously. I decided that the woman realised that the old man was suffering from heart disease, although he himself did not. She saw that the advice of a doctor was indispensable, and she had found a very cunning ruse to send him a doctor without being compromised herself.

I asked the old man if he was well. He smiled and said: "I'm sixty-one years old, and I have never been laid up in bed. Of course, weakness comes with old age. I'm not as strong I was, and have asthma a little, but apart from that, I am very well. No, doctor, you can take it from me, there's not a rouble to be earned here."

The conversation turned on the Congress and on life in Paris, about which he had read much. His daughter, a slight, shy girl gazed at me with her deep, dark eyes, but took no part in the conversation. The father's conversation was witty and gay, and this surprised me in a hermit.

Probably my conversation brightened him, for he talked of his student days, of his youthful follies, and of the time when he was a young lawyer. For an hour he recalled his forgotten youth and talked of the good old times. Suddenly the lamp flickered as though it were about to go out.

Candles were brought, but the charm was broken, and I felt like a young husband who suddenly sees an ill omen. The clock was striking 12 when I took leave. The old man asked me to call the next day, and naturally I promised to do so. The daughter came with me to the door, and said:

"I'm so glad you have come, doctor, even though it was by error. Papa has not been so gay for many years. You must come back to-morrow. I wish we had a few more visitors. It would do him good."

I had a kind of presentiment that I should find my silent companion on the road, but I saw no one. Lights were still burning in the inn, and when I entered, the innkeeper was reading the newspaper to some men, who looked like peasants, wearing Russian tunics. They had long hair and long beards, sombre faces, and they all sat in the same position.

SPRAINED ANKLE AT BASEBALL

Cubs Lose Herman But Brother Hits Homer.

DETROIT TIGERS BEATEN

New York, To-day. Billy Herman of the Chicago Cubs, sustained a sprained ankle while attempting to field a ball in the major league American baseball match against Brooklyn Dodgers yesterday. He had to be carried off the field.

Freddie Herman, his brother, however, made up for the accident by hitting a difficult clout.

Washington Senators, 1933 American league champions, defeated Detroit Tigers, the present leaders of the American league, by a margin of 3 to 1.

Newsom blanked the Philadelphia Athletics for nine innings to give St. Louis Braves the game by 3 to 0. The game between Boston Braves and Cincinnati Reds was postponed owing to rain.

Results, as cabled by Reuter, were:

National League

Philadelphia 5 12 0
Pittsburgh 6 12 1

Brooklyn 9 14 1
Chicago 4 7 1

F. Herman hit a homer.

New York 5 10 3
Moore and Danning hit homers.

St. Louis 3 10 1
Davis hit a homer.

American League

Detroit 1 9 0
Washington 3 8 2

St. Louis 3 10 1
Philadelphia 0 6 0

Newsom pitched.

Cleveland 2 6 2
New York 9 13 0

Chicago 7 12 0
Boston 2 6 1

JEFFERSON DUE TO-MORROW

The American Mail liner s.s. President Jefferson will arrive in Hong Kong from Shanghai at 6 a.m. to-morrow.

with their chins in their hands. The atmosphere of the inn was stifling and a cloud of tobacco smoke was rising slowly towards the ceiling. I made the innkeeper understand that I wanted a room for the night by gesticulating, and he took me to a room where there was a huge bed.

There were some pictures of saints of the Greek Church hanging on the white-washed wall. The innkeeper brought candles and lit a big wood fire. I did not want to sleep, so I lit a cigar and sat in an armchair to think over the happenings of the evening.

I had just thrown the end of my cigar away when I heard footsteps on the stairs. I was terrified, for I was afraid it was a trap, and that I was going to be robbed. But it was the innkeeper and the daughter of the old man, with whom I had spent the evening.

The girl seemed greatly excited, but she did not lose control of herself.

"How fortunate that you are here, doctor," she said. "Poor father had scarcely got into bed when he had a terrible attack. Perhaps he had too much excitement to-night. I'm sorry to trouble you, but would you mind coming with me? Perhaps you could do something for him."

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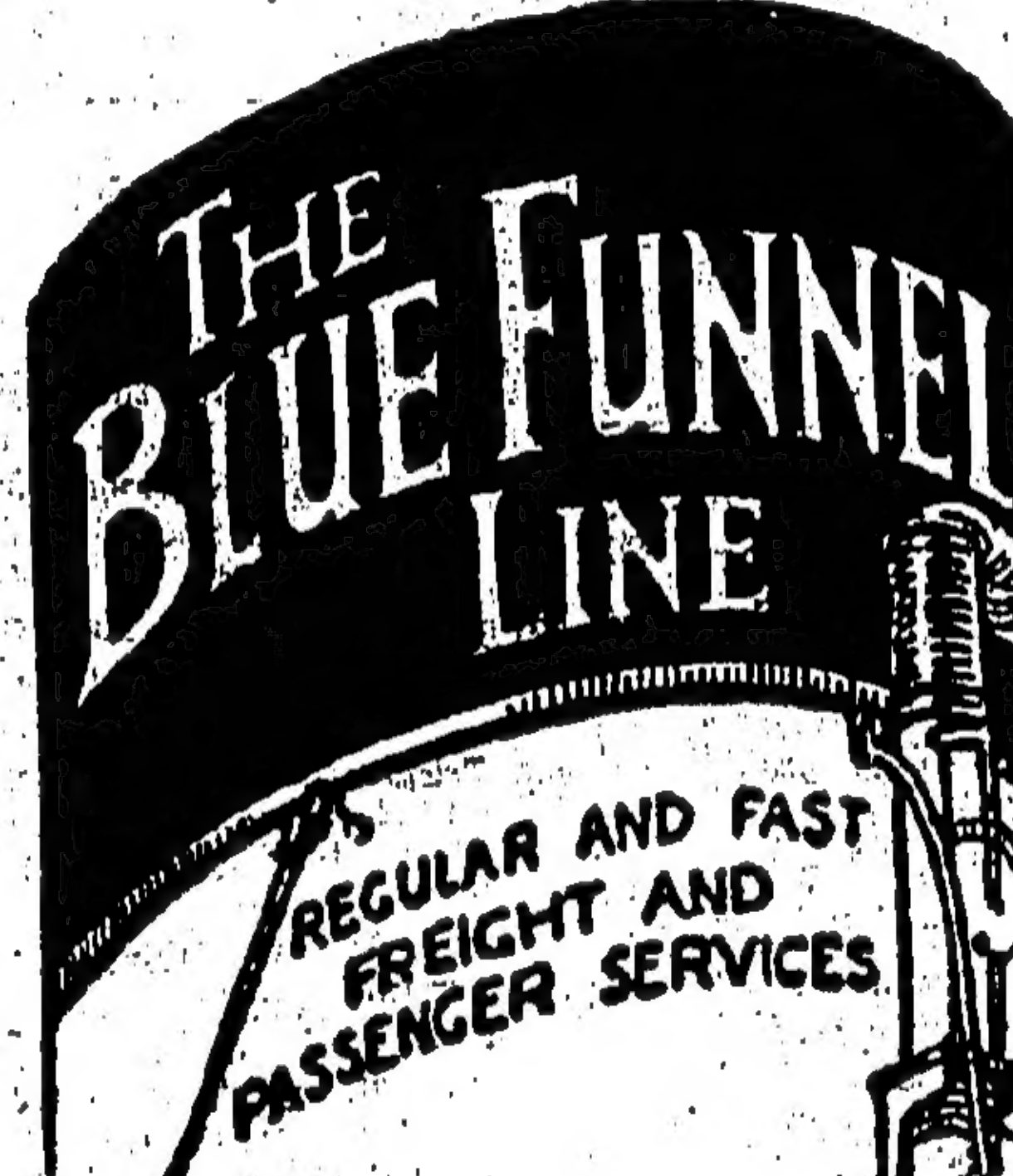
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COMORIN	15,000	20th Oct.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	3rd Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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CHITRAL	15,000	17th Nov.	Marseilles & London.
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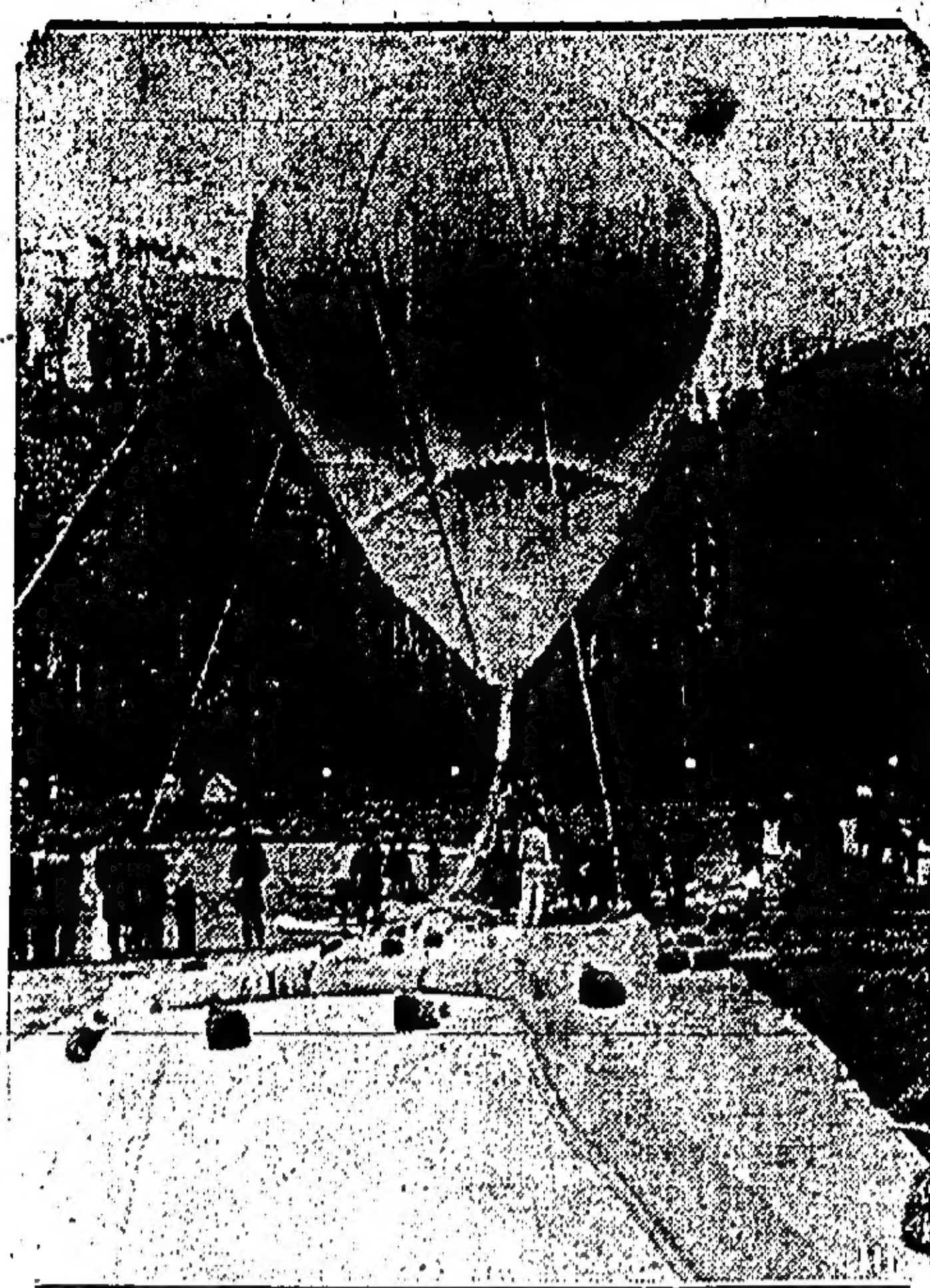
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	1934.	
NANKIN	7,000 2nd Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
BANGALORE	6,000 5th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAWALPINDI	17,000 6th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	8,000 7th Sept.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
COMORIN	15,000 20th Sept.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TILAWA	10,000 21st Sept.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*BHUTAN	6,000 3rd Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
NELLORE	7,000 4th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	17,000 4th Oct.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	8,000 6th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*BEHAR	6,100 14th Oct.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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Capt. W. A. Stevens, army flyers, are here seen preparing for the
take-off on their successful flight into the stratosphere from
Moonlight valley, near Rapid City, S.D. This photograph shows the
start of the balloon test flight, which was completed uneventfully.

TALKIE TALKS

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Katherine Alexander (from the stage) gives a powerful, dramatic performance as the friend "Pauline," and the court-martial scene is one of the highlights of the picture.

Jean Parker, also is adequate in a smaller part. I never look upon Gary Cooper as a good actor, but he seems less stiff than usual and puts over quite a nice performance.

You cannot help remarking on the slip-up on the part of the director—Richard Boleslavsky—in allowing the Four Mills Brothers to sing in their famous "boon-boon-boon" style, with the imitations of very modern "jazz" instruments. Still, it is foolish to quibble over a small detail like this—they, at least, give us real enjoyment in the plantation scenes.

Ted Healy is rather starved of humour. Russell Hardie, Douglas Dumbrille, Willard Robertson, Sidney Toler and others are among the adequate support. The war scenes are realistic and sad, and you will not forget the inevitable ball-room scenes with the dazzling Southern beauties and gallant escorts. Recommended. (Queen's).

"Mad Genius" was the last picture made by John Barrymore for Warner's. He repeats his magnificent performance of "Svengali," and again has the able assistance of a pretty girl, Marian Marsh, who shares with Donald Cook in the romance. It is a sumptuous production, and Barrymore, the son of a danseuse, deprived by the handicap of a club foot from following in her wake, becomes a famous ballet master. The story gives ample chances for lavishness, and if you like the famous John in this type of mad character, you see him in one of his finest characterisations. (Alhambra).

"The Only Girl" was Lillian Harvey's last German-made film before she left for Hollywood. It gives us a chance to see the Continental idol Charles Boyer, who "stood out" in his one Hollywood chance, "The Man from Yesterday." Now he is to be a Fox star in "Casanova" and "Caravan" and recently married Pat Patterson the English actress.

He is charming as the "Duke" with Miss Harvey, but it is a shame that another favourite, Mady Christians, is given so few opportunities as the "Empress."

Huntley Wright, so well-known to old-time London theatre-goers, makes his first screen appearance, but, with another English actor, Ernest Thesiger, does not impress very favourably. Miss Harvey is piquant as the Maid who is loved by the "Duke," and is always at her best under German direction. (Alhambra).

Oriental Showings
I remember enjoying seeing Douglas Fairbanks in the first film in which he wore modern dress, "Reaching for the Moon." Bebe Daniels, with her golden hair, was specially outstanding. Quite an amusingly told story.

This will be followed by Constance Bennett in the double role of wife and actress—"Moulin

SWIMMING RECORDS

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Marques led for the first lap at a very fast pace, but Kwok was not to be left behind, and, spurring strongly, drew level just before the turn at the 50 yards mark. He then took the lead, and it was not long before it was evident that he would win easily.

After the final turn he further increased his lead to win comfortably by several yards.

Marques was seriously challenged by Wong Shu-man over the last length, but was able to keep his second position to the finish.

Kwok was given a very hearty ovation when it was announced that he had beaten the record.

ANOTHER RECORD

W. Lawrence, who had also bettered the former 100 Yards backstroke record of 71 2/5 secs. when he took second place to Lionel Roza-Pereira on August 9, was the only challenger to Lau-Po-hay of the C.A.A.

Lau started off strongly from the start, and took the lead after 50 yards, and, although closely challenged by Lawrence over the last 25 yards, maintained his slender advantage to the finish.

He bettered the 14-day-old record of Roza-Pereira, as did Lawrence, who was only a fifth of a second behind.

HALF-MILE SWIM

Only plucky A. A. da Roza came out to swim against Lionel Roza-Pereira in the half-mile race.

Roza-Pereira started off at a terrific pace, and, though young Roza swam strongly, the champion drew further ahead, length by length.

After reaching the half way mark (17 lengths) Roza-Pereira had gained nearly half a length on Roza, but the latter never allowed this distance to increase.

Roza-Pereira finished strongly, but it is certainly that he would have bettered the Colony record had he been extended at any period of the race. As a consolation, however, he was gratified to hear that he had established a personal record.

THE BEARER OF THE MESSAGE

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The room into which she took me was lofty and uninviting; there was a sharp smell of eau de Cologne and of ammonia in the air. A lamp was burning on a table where there were the usual things one sees in a bedroom—hair brush, razor, clock and a big tiepin with a cameo.

The last flame was dying out on the hearth. The curtains of the bed were drawn aside and an old servant was praying at the bedside, while another was sitting on a chair, weeping.

I listened to the old man's heart beats, but there was not the slightest breath. Death had done its work, and the limbs were already growing stiff. I broke the news to the girl as gently as possible, but she had already understood, and mastered herself with a truly feminine energy.

While I was washing my hands and thinking of the adventures of the day, I noticed a framed oil painting. It was painted in 1830 style, and it showed a young woman with low dress and flattened hair. Without the least doubt I recognised in her the mysterious companion who had sought me out in the hall of the palace at Moscow. My surprise was so great that I could not restrain a cry.

"Who is that?" I asked, pointing to the portrait. "It is the woman who brought me here."

The girl looked at me fixedly. Her upper lip was twisted in an expression of incredulity, but seeing me look uneasy, she, too, grew pale.

"It's my mother," she said. "She died when I was born, twenty years ago."

[The End]

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It is hoped to hold an open-air concert in the grounds of the Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday, September 1, commencing at 9.15 p.m. The full band of the Lincolnshire Regiment will provide a very versatile programme, and it is to be hoped that the enterprise of the organisers will be repaid by a very large attendance.

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Little Movement On Wall Street

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Night Telegrams
The following telegrams have been received by S. E. Levy & Co. through Reuter:—"Favourable factors before the opening of the market were: Reports of impending important favourable developments at Washington. The fact that good Foreign buying was reported, but the opinion is held that the rally was partly due to the over-sold condition of the market, together with a mild revival of inflationary psychology."

The most outstanding unfavourable factor was: Leading staples were inclined to ease."
"Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau foresees no change in the Government's gold policy."

"Brokers' Loans for the week amount to \$10,000,000 dollars."
"Gillette has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents and National Dairy Products a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents." The market is narrowly irregular, as the recent advance has attracted some profit-taking. However, with the sentiment cheerful, little more than temporary setbacks are at present anticipated.

E. A. Pierce Co.'s Report

In their market report, the American Oriental Finance Corporation, correspondents for Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company, New York state:
"Stocks.—We still believe that the logical policy is to purchase on minor recessions."
"Wheat.—Moderate profit-taking and liquidation has continued intermittently. Trade was light. Near positions are continuing to resist declines, while Traders are awaiting developments in Washington."
"Cotton.—Business was small and largely of a professional character, with the Trade the principal buyers. There was some hedging. The benefit to be accrued from the rains in the South-West is doubtful on account of their lateness."
"Rubber.—The market was very quiet and trading remained within a narrow range. Most of the buying came from Commission Houses, while selling was scattered among dealers and local operators."
"Brokers' Loans for the week have decreased by \$11,000,000."

Latest Quotations

The following quotations have been received through Messrs. S. E. Levy and Company and the American Oriental Finance Corporation:

New York, Yesterday.
Last To-day's
close close
N.Y. London Cross-Rate 5.06 5.08
N.Y. Cotton—Dec. 13.32 13.33
N.Y. Rubber—Dec. 16.24 16.18
Chic. Wheat—Dec. 10.74 10.74
Chic. Corn—Dec. 73 72 1/2
Silver—Official 49 1/2 49 1/2
(Dow Jones Avg.)

To-day
Aug. 21 Close Change
30 Industrials ... 94.32 94.05 -27 off
20 Rails 37.24 37.14 -10 off
20 Utilities 21.04 21.08 +4 up
40 Bonds 93.15 93.18 +3 up
11 Commodity

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It is learned that the
Government of the Union of
South Africa will pay the
whole of the remainder of
her war debt to the British
Government, amounting to
£8,000,000, at the end of this
month.

Negotiations have proceeded
in London in the past few weeks,
and arrangements are now being
made with the British Treasury
for the Union to redeem the
loan.

The Union is the only Dominion
which did not take advantage
of the British Government's offer
to suspend payments in connection
with the general war debt
moratorium in 1931. — Reuter.

SOUTHWEST COUNCIL MAY BE ABOLISHED

(Continued from Page 1)

TERMS FOR NANKING
A spokesman of the South-west
Political Council made a state-
ment in the press yesterday, in
which he demanded that the cen-
tral authorities accept the South-
west terms, otherwise strong op-
position would be made against
the Nanking Congress. The terms
are that Nanking has to acknow-
ledge its faults in handling the
Manchurian issue and to explain
why the resistance to Japanese ag-
gression has been abandoned.

The spokesman stressed that
the Third and Fourth Congresses
of the Kuomintang as well as
subsequent plenary sessions of
the Central Executive Committee
had passed resolutions calling

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London, To-day.

Mr. Clark Howell, Chairman of
the Federal Aviation Commission
set up by President Roosevelt, who
has been visiting continental cen-
tres to investigate the various
methods of organising the aviation
industry, is now in London and has
paid a warm tribute to the manner
in which Great Britain is handling
the problems of the newest methods
of transportation.

He said that he had learned
much in London, and that he con-
sidered Great Britain, in this con-
nection, had done particularly well.
He said, "You had a definite scheme
for air development in 1918, and
you have stuck to it. You have
re-adjusted and improved, but you
have the same fundamental basis
as in 1918."

He added that President Roose-
velt hoped to re-organise, and to
re-establish the whole aviation in-
dustry of the United States, which,
in the last 10 years, had been the
subject of consideration by no less
than 16 commissions.—British
Wireless Service.

upon the National Government to
resist the Japanese to the utmost,
yet, the official declared, "What
Nanking has done is opposite to
these many resolutions."

As the Fifth Congress is all-
powerful, there is apprehension
here that it will abolish the South-
west Political Council and the
Kuomintang South-west Execu-
tive Committee.

STOCK EXCHANGE PETITION

**Holiday Sought On
September 1.**

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
(By Telegram, Copyright, Telegra-
phic Messages Ordinance, 1894, Re-
ceived August 24, 9.51 a.m.)

New York, To-day.
A Stock Exchange petition is
being circulated asking for a close
on September 1. The exchange
will be closed on September 3,
Labour Day.

Stock and curb exchanges have
adopted amendments providing
punishment for members violating
the Securities Exchange Act of
1934.

Curb executives do not expect
that the Securities Act's uniform
requirements for all exchanges
will result in the losing of many
listings.—United Press, per S. E.
Levy and Company.

"HAI HENG" LAUNCHED

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Mr. Quo Tai-chi, in a speech,
said that just as the launching
of the Cunarder, No. 534, would
mean the resurrection of Great
Britain at sea, so the launching
of the Hai Heng was quite an
event from the Chinese view-
point. It meant the resurrection
of China in commercial naviga-
tion, on coastal seas, and even
on the seven seas. — Reuter.

LOCAL RAINFALL

The local rainfall, recorded at the
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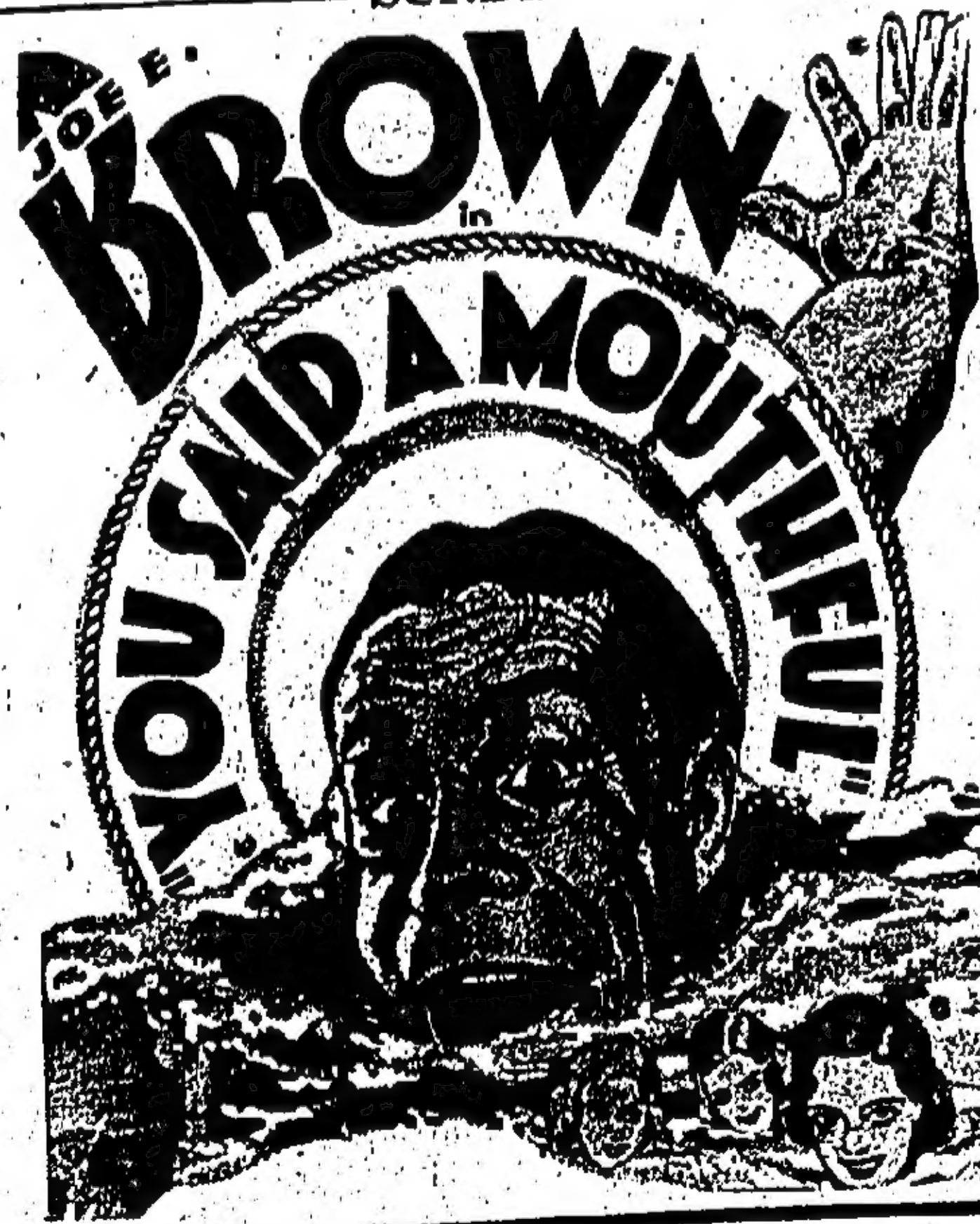
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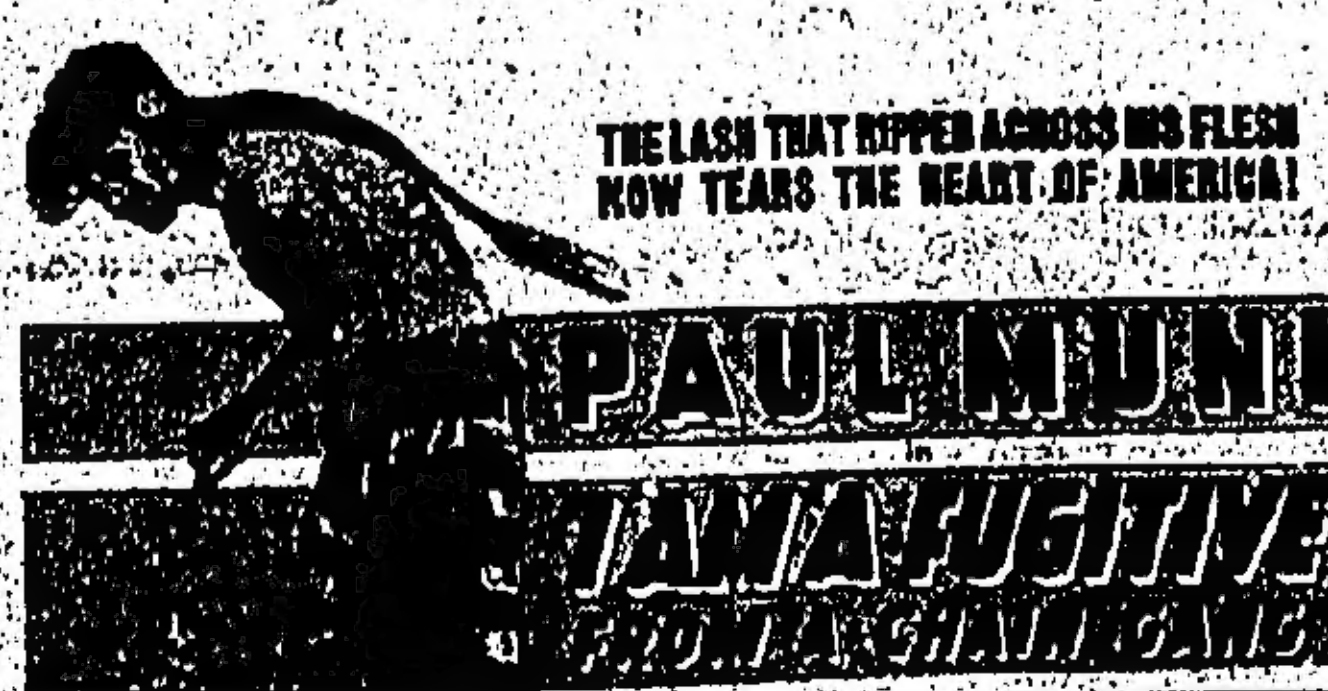
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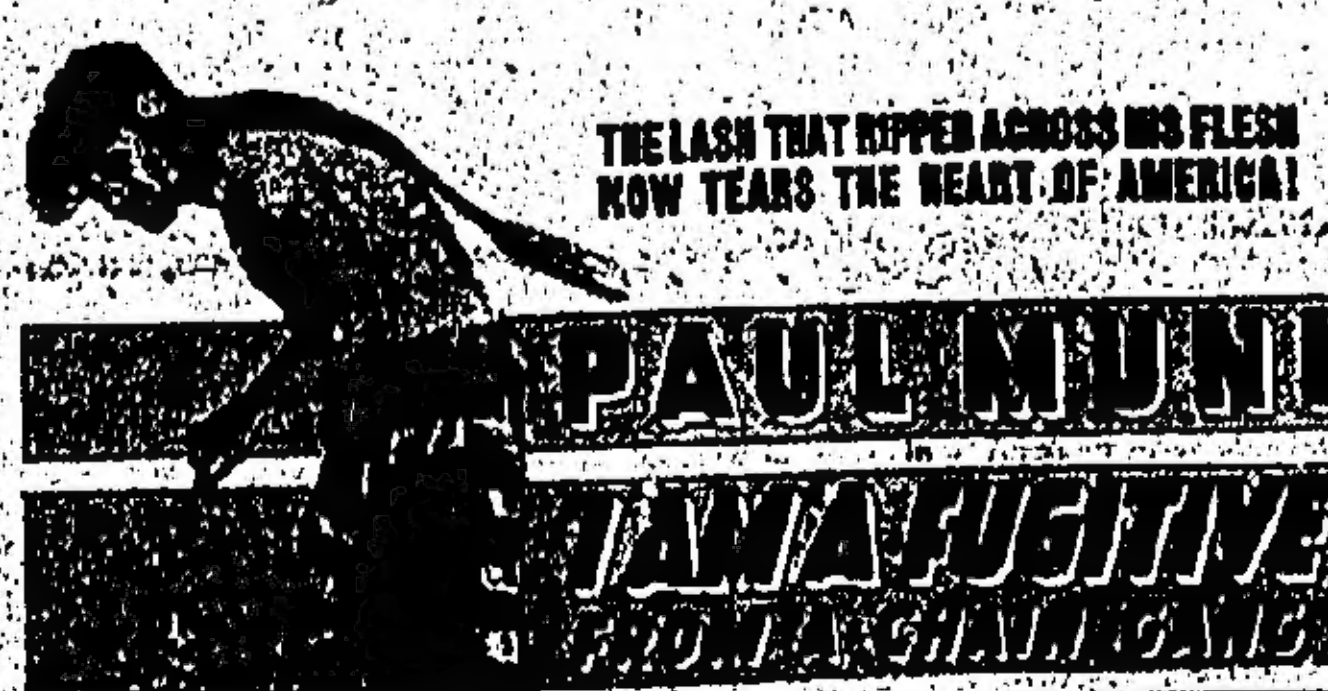
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